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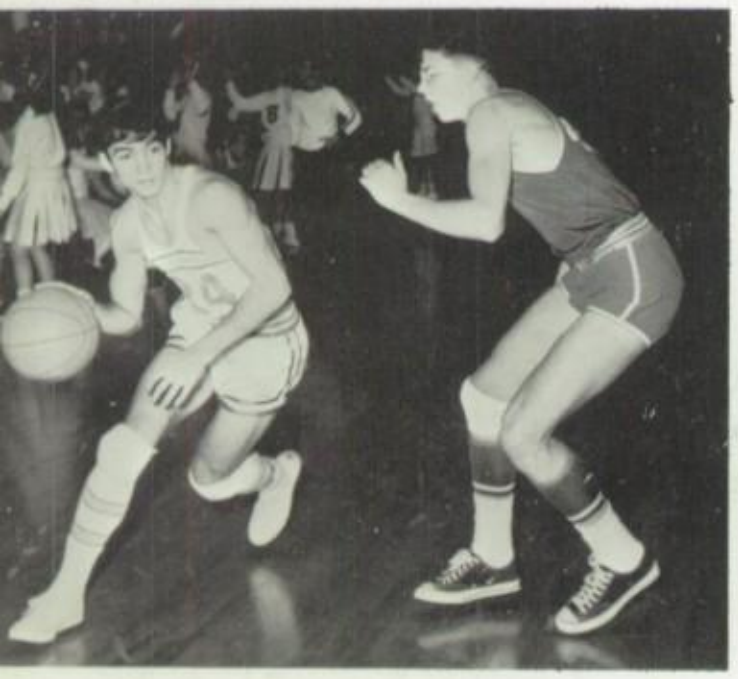

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Spotlight On . . .

The 52nd edition of the Elysium chose as its theme, "Spotlight on BHS." Throughout the year this spotlight focused on all aspects of school life at BHS: the deep, concentrated study of its students, the many leisure activities of the curriculum, and the little "in-between" moments during the school day. As the year began, BHS students faced a new administration that was destined to touch upon their lives. New and familiar faces, along with many new battle cries, filled the school corridors. Highlighting the year was a visit from the North Central Association, which evaluated the teaching staff, the students, and the curriculum.

"Spotlight on BHS" has endeavored to create an atmosphere of realism in school life. Truly, the impressions of the past school year will be many, not only for the graduating seniors, but for every member of Blissfield High School.

(right) Examining their specimens very carefully, J. Case and L. Rodriquez take pride in their work.

J. Jackson attempts a chemistry experiment.

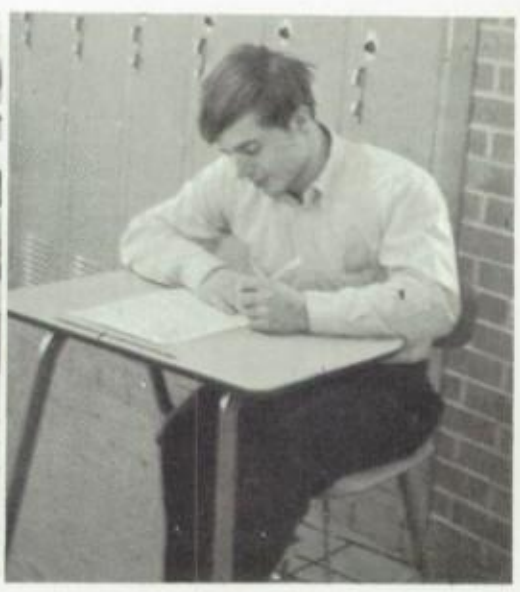
Sophomore K. Pagel is perplexed by a biology test.

Daily practice is vital to vocal chords.

B. Bussing instructs B. Buehrer in the art of math.

T. Viers, J. Love, and G. Wotring make use of their study hall.

G. Roe spends most of his time taking English tests in the hall.



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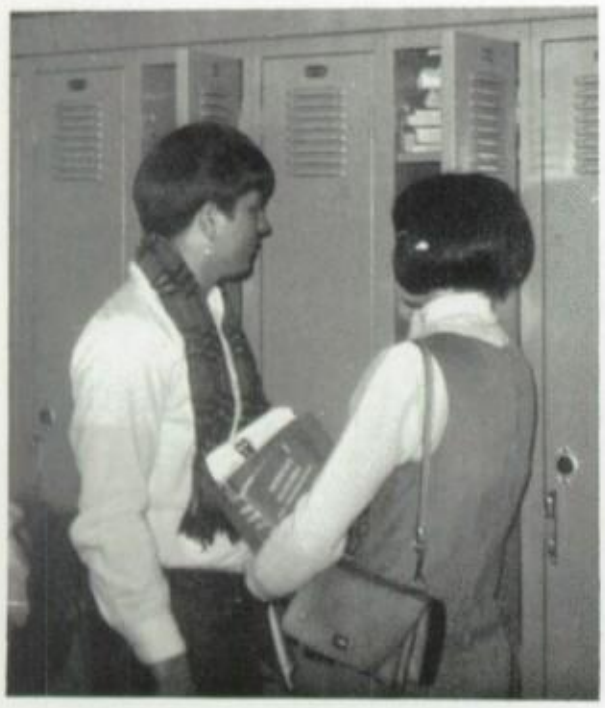
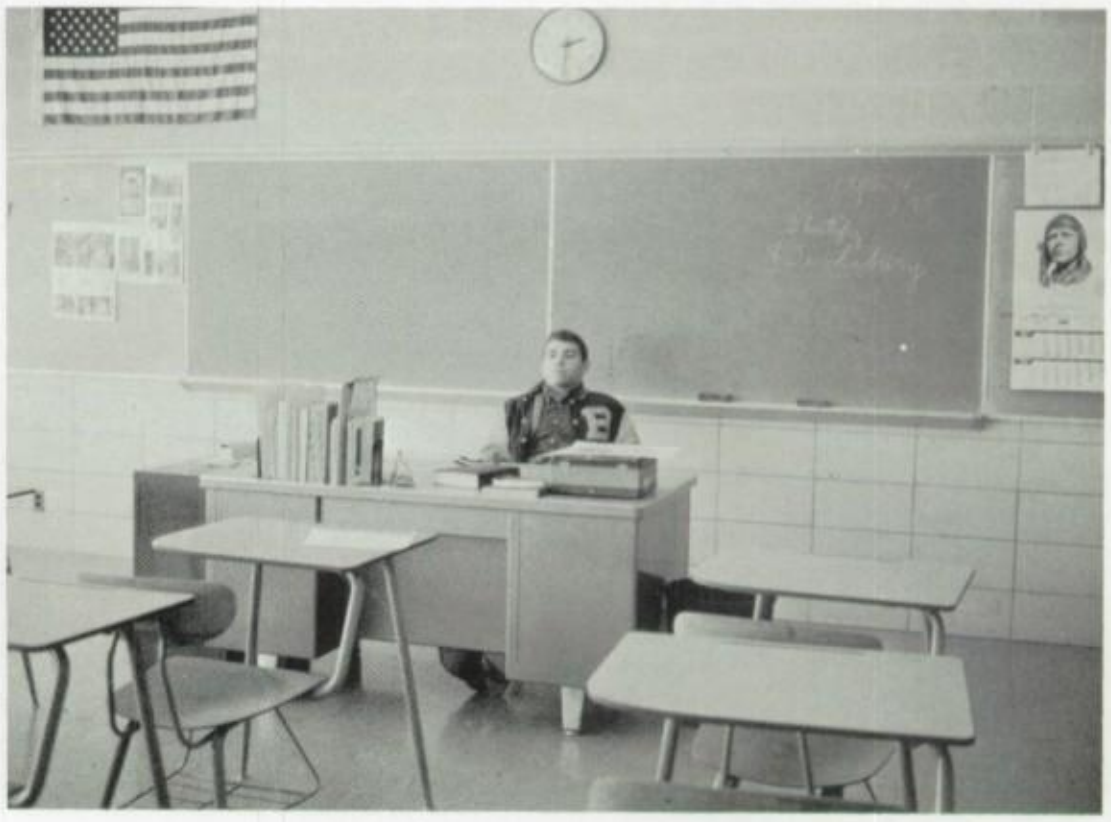
Spotlight On . . .



D. Fritz and V. Walker chat after school.



E. Petee dreams of being a teacher!?

The telephone is put to good use by H. Dvorsky.

The girls' powder puff football team display their athletic ability.

The time is 12 o'clock noon, and it's chowtime at BHS!

. . . Leisure Activities

At the end of the day, weary students - P. Flaherty, G. Lippens, and K. Eisenmann, take a moment to relax.

Seniors begin their Advance drive with the help of Mr. DeLoach, D. Anderson, and J. Bourdette.

H. Estes and S. Porter are caught in the act of playfulness during physics class.

Spotlight On . . .

Christmas time calls for creativity in the classroom.

Mr. Eisenmann, voted as the "Biceps Winner" of BHS, poses for the Elysium in his winning garb.

(UPPER LEFT) Members of the North Central Association take time out for a lunch break while evaluating the school curriculum.

(LEFT) "Secret Sweetie" winner D. Neuroth dances with B. Kaser as L. Knoblauch and C. Cory observe.

. . . Variety

Spotlight on . . .

. . . Sports

FRONT ROW: C. Nieman, K. Sprunk, R. Villegas, W. Weeber, D. Fritz, C. Burgermeister, D. Beal, W. Heineman. SECOND ROW: W. Hagenbuch, L. Pagel, C. Horvath, M. Fatchett, D. Neuroth, K. Osenko, D. Anderson, E. Petee, M. Filipek, J. Harmes, J. Stutzman. THIRD ROW: Coach Al Schaffer, L. Westergaard, W. Sauter, J. Novak, K. Cranor, D. Thompson, J. Andrews, K. Eisenmann, J. Tormoehlen, D. Bateson, D. Knoblauch, F. Bilkey, Coach Jack Hepinstall, Coach Larry Tuttle.

Varsity Goes Undefeated

Royals Win

The Royal's superb defense held the opposition to an average of only six points per game, while the Royal offense tallied up an average of twenty-five points per game. This was the result of teamwork, pursuit, fine coaching, and all-around good spirit. Head coach Jack Hepinstall was awarded "Coach of the Year" by the Adrian Daily Telegram. Also, Blissfield was chosen "Team of the Year" by the Telegram. To top off our winning season, Blissfield defeated Southwestern League Champs, Dundee. Blissfield ranked 16th in the state. Highlighting the Royal season was guest speaker Pat Studstill of the Detroit Lions at the football banquet.

LEAGUE STANDINGS			
	W	L	T
Blissfield	2	0	2
Grosse Ile	2	1	1
Airport	1	1	2
Tecumseh	1	2	1
Flat Rock	1	3	0

VARSITY SCORES		
	We	They
Hudson	19	7
Harper Woods	33	6
Grosse Ile	27	0
Flat Rock	26	13
Airport	0	0
N. B. Huron	65	6
Tecumseh	0	0
Monroe Jefferson	40	7
Dundee	19	5

Championship

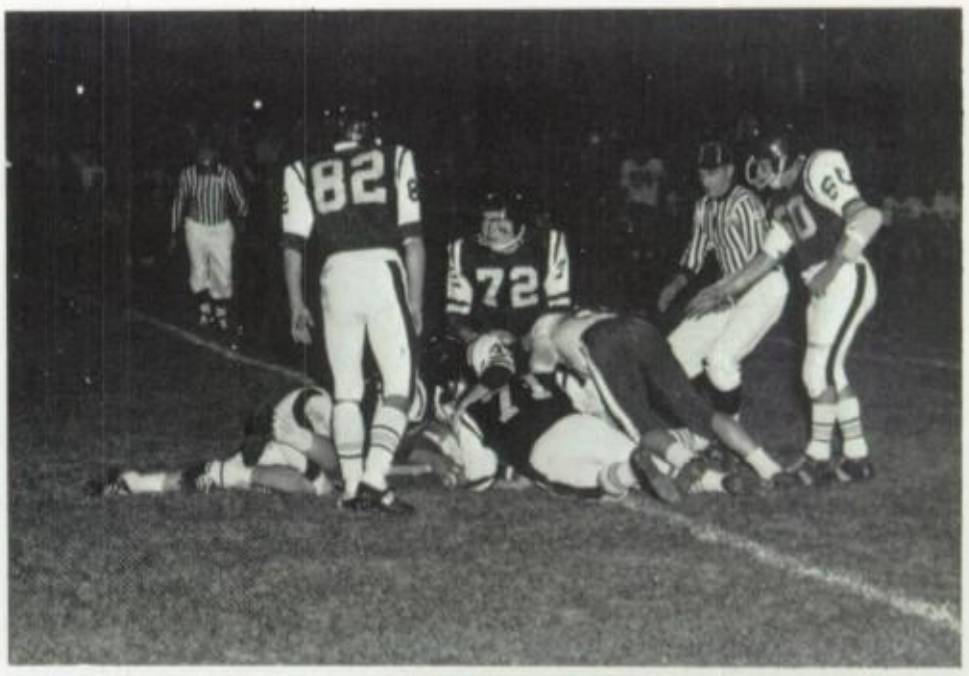
Fine defense contributed to the Royal championship.

Win or lose, spirit dominated the Royal fans.

ALL-HURON LEAGUE	
Chuck Burgermeister	1st team
Bill Weeber	1st team
Ken Osenko	1st team
Joe Andrews	2nd team
Denny Thompson	2nd team
Honorable mention:	
Dave Fritz	

ALL-COUNTY	
Bill Weeber	1st team
Bob Villegas	2nd team
Denny Thompson	2nd team
Keith Eisenmann	2nd team
Chuck Burgermeister	2nd team
Ken Osenko	2nd team
Joe Andrews	3rd team

ALL-STATE	
Honorable Mention:	
Bill Weeber	UPI
Chuck Burgermeister	API



Superb defense holds the Rams as the Royals win 26-13.

D. Anderson makes a fine catch.

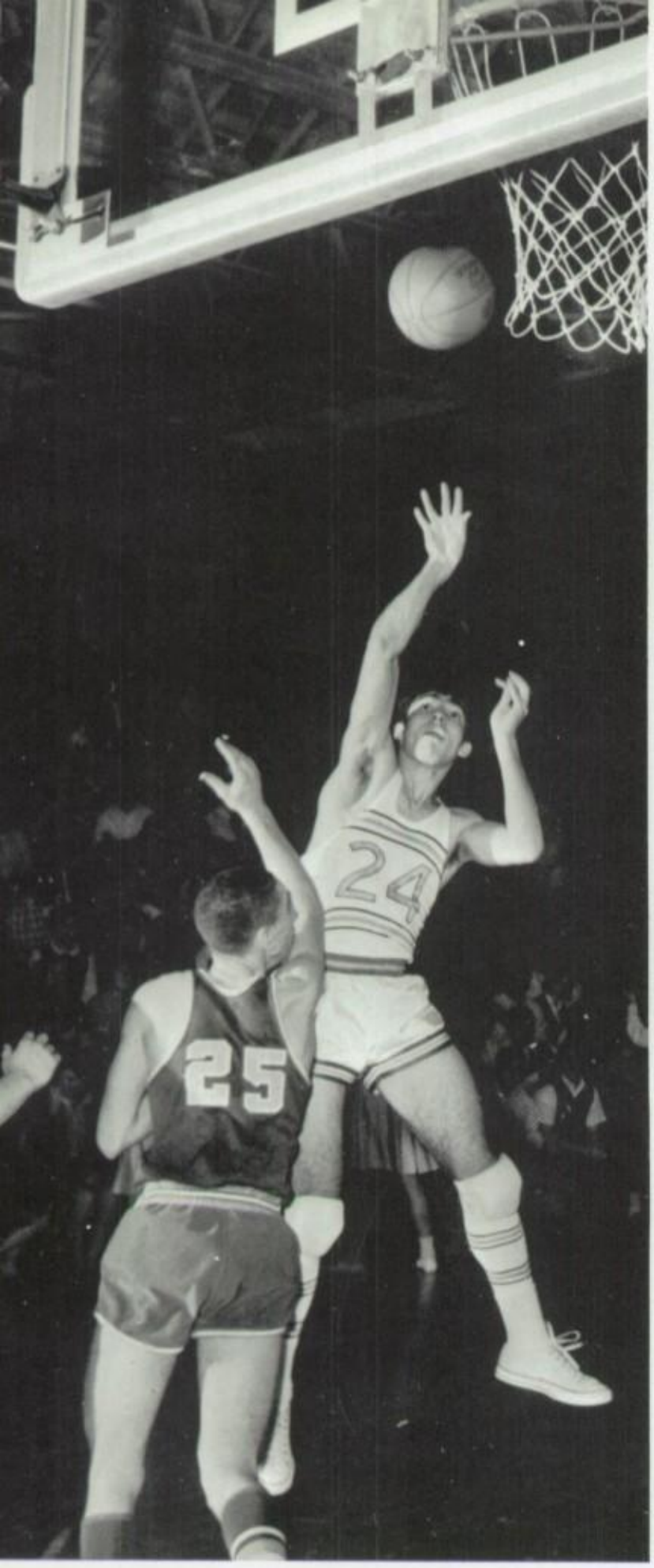
F. Bilkey, D. Fritz, and Coach Brown study the action as Coach Tuttle confers about the game.

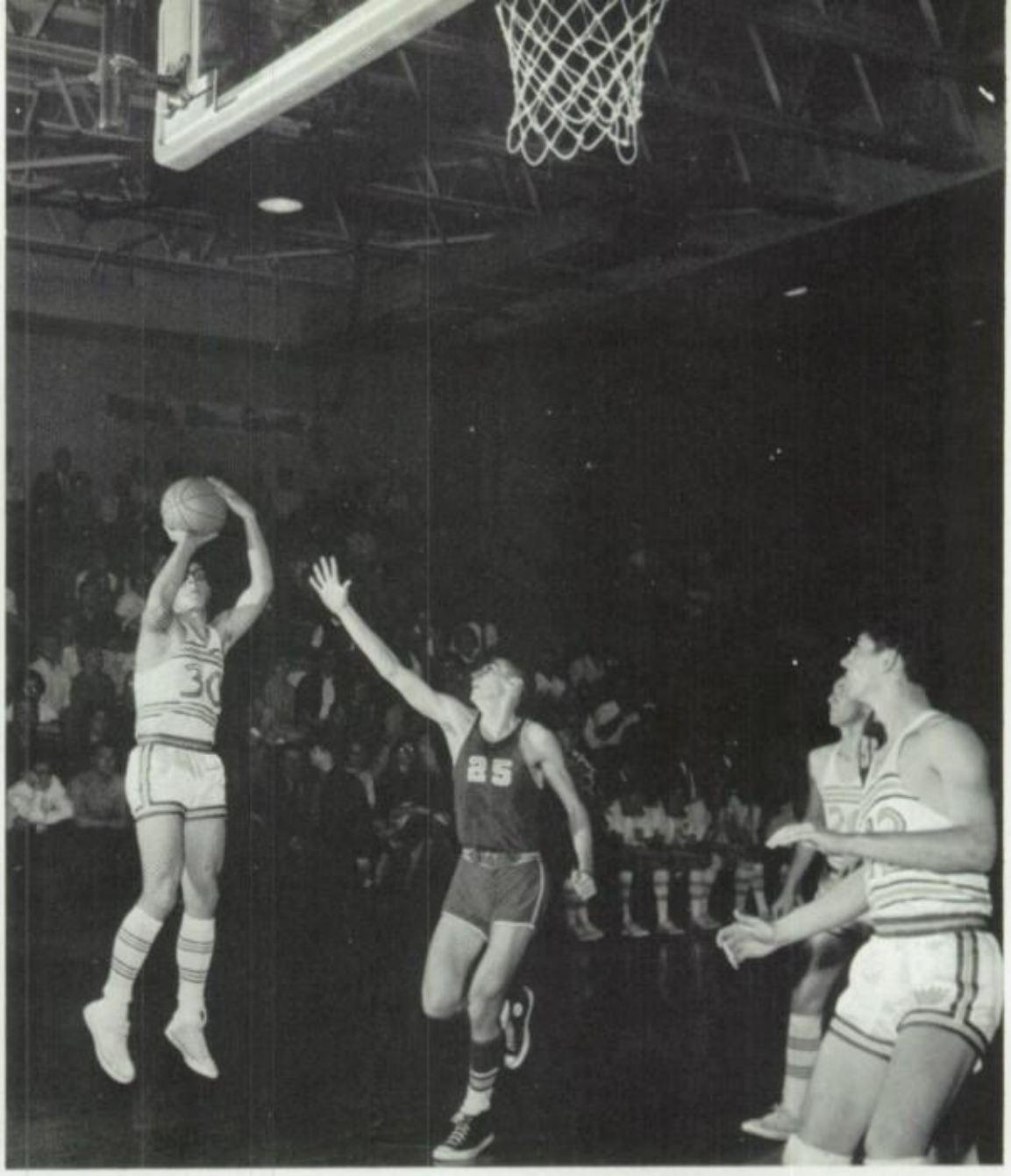
FRONT ROW: R. Love, B. Sprunk, C. Faz, M. Haddix, M. Seegert, J. Harmes, R. Gurica, P. Filipek, R. Fetzer. SECOND ROW: C. Gillin, E. Martinez, C. Cory, L. Brenke, D. Miller, G. Crist, D. Cory, P. Boylan, R. Fisher, D. Lamley, F. Pagel. BACK ROW: Coach Dusseau, R. Mason, F. Cruz, J. Beal, F. DeGroff, L. Lolly, M. Staup, T. Goetz, R. Doremus, Coach Brown.

Junior Varsity Wins 4; Loses 4

J.V.'s Have Aggressive Season

FRONT ROW: P. Hazzard, M. Staup, M. Burgermeister, F. Cruz, T. Goetz, F. DeGroff, G. Crist, F. Pagel. SECOND ROW: R. Fisher, M. Fredricks, J. Chandler, R. Neuman, M. Casterline, A. Goddyn, L. Lolly, D. Lamley, J. Beal. BACK ROW: D. Cheney, D. Piotter, A. Tifft, R. Mason, R. Camp, A. Rodesiler, Coach Brown.



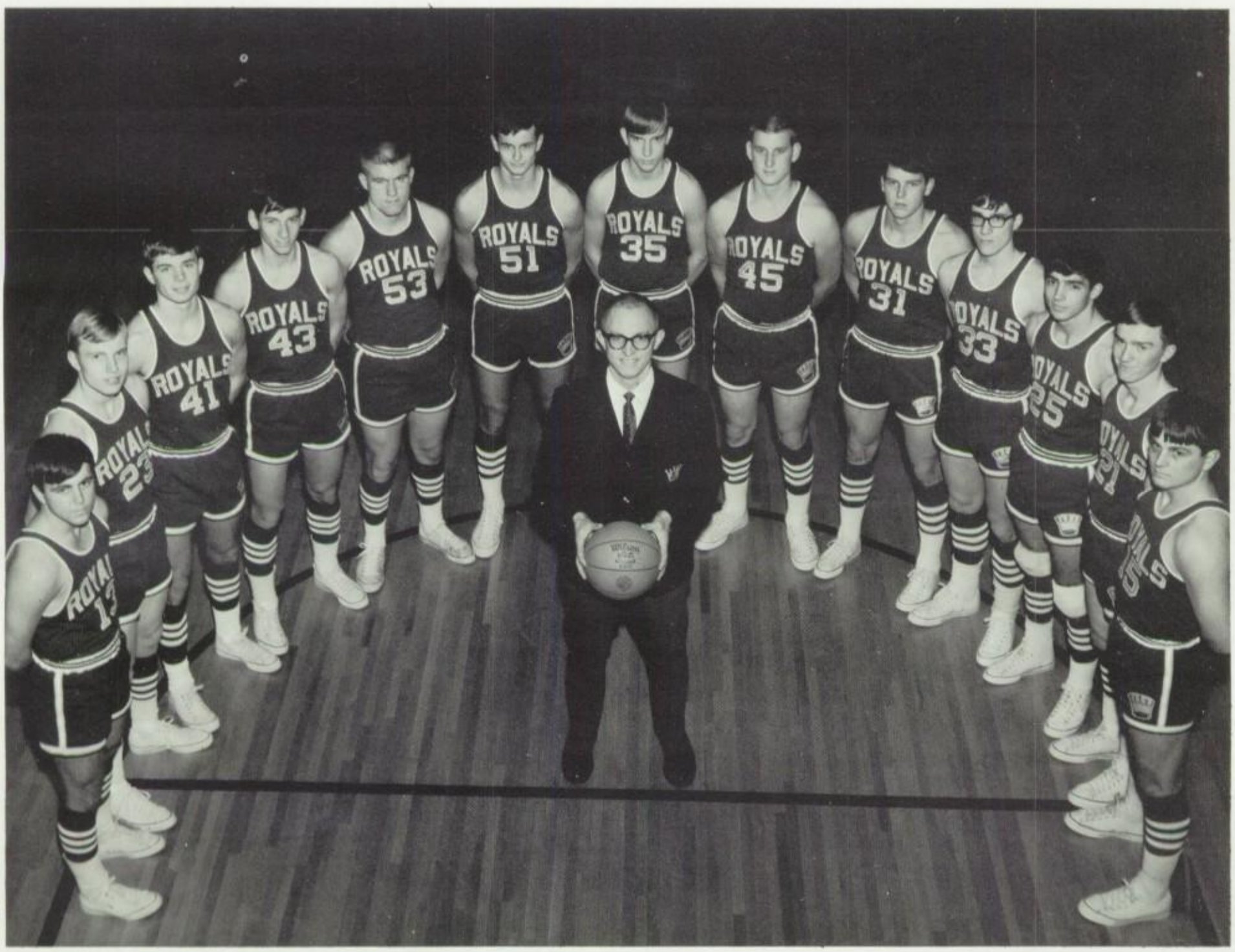


UPPER LEFT: C. Burgermeister leaps over the bewildered Rams for 2 points.

LOWER LEFT: Coach Schaffer gives his team a pep talk.

ABOVE: D. Thompson goes up for another shot as C. Horvath and D. Bateson look on.

BELOW: M. Fatchett dribbles around confused Ram.



LEFT TO RIGHT: W. Heineman, K. Eisenmann, K. Osenko, C. Horvath, J. Andrews, A. Phillips, B. Piotter, M. Fatchett, D. Thompson, C. Cartwright, C. Burgermeister, D. Bateson, D. Fritz, Coach Schaffer.

Opponent		Blissfield
Sylvania	73	61
Dexter	53	75
Monroe C. C.	51	70
Grosse Ile	60	63
Saline	60	82
Airport	79	93
Adrian	77	67
Dundee	47	74
Tecumseh	67	80
Flat Rock	72	83
Grosse Ile	66	63
Airport	64	63
Adrian	76	86
Tecumseh	60	83
Flat Rock	98	90
Monroe C. C.	74	85

DISTRICT TOURNEY

Opponent		Blissfield
Ida	66	80
Milan	67	61

Royals End Season 12 and 6

The Rams race for the defense as D. Fritz shoots.

The Royal cagers had a fairly successful season winning twelve games and losing six. Coach Schaffer's team got off to a bad start, dropping their first game to the Sylvania Wildcats, 73 to 61. After this defeat, however, the Royals caught fire and won five straight games, bowing only to Adrian, a class A school. Finishing the season, the games bounded back and forth between the Royals and their opponents. Archrival Tecumseh faced defeat both times they met the mighty Royals.

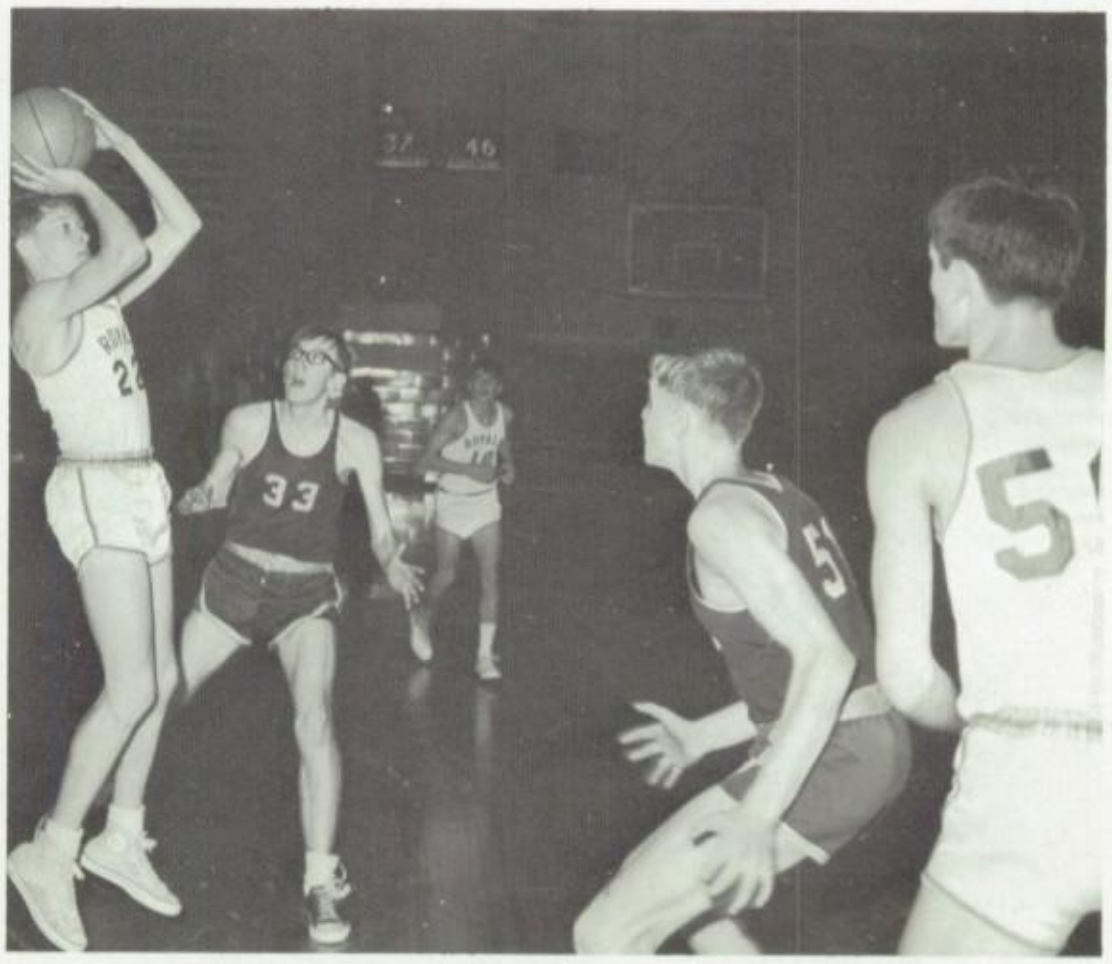
Experience Makes

LEFT TO RIGHT: B. Klenk, M. Whitman, B. French, A. Rodesiler, R. Fetzer, G. Crist, C. Cory, E. Deer, R. Gurica, K. Clark, N. Klump, Coach Hepinstall.

LEFT TO RIGHT: B. Neuman, F. Pagel, J. Thompson, J. Beal, T. Goetz, R. Prisby, F. DeGroff, T. Filter, D. Lamley, M. Burgermeister, Coach Tuttle, R. Doremus.

The Team

ALL HURON LEAGUE	
Chuck Burgermeister	1st
Doug Bateson	2nd
Cal Horvath	2nd
APT HONORABLE MENTION	
Chuck Burgermeister	
Doug Bateson	
ADRIAN TELEGRAM ALL-COUNTY	
Doug Bateson	1st
Chuck Burgermeister	2nd
Dave Fritz	Honorable Mention



G. Crist and A. Phillips gain valuable experience on J. V. squad.

FRONT ROW: D. Gentz, P. Filipek, T. Horky, P. Boylan, G. Roe. SECOND ROW: M. Krueger, B. Bussing, D. Lamley, B. Sauter, D. Vanderlaan, C. Nieman, M. Filipek. THIRD ROW: J. Waterbury, S. Pooley, T. Hoagland, A. Goddyn, G. Sliker, M. Seegert, Coach Dusseau. BACK ROW: B. Betz, D. Betz, H. Nieman, D. Gentz, M. DeNudt.

Royal Matmen

Co-captains Bruce Bussing and Gary Roe led Blissfield's wrestling team to four wins and five losses. The team voted Mike Filipek, "Most Valuable Player"; Bill Sauter, "Most Promising Player"; Pat Filipek and Terry Horky, "Most Improved Players."

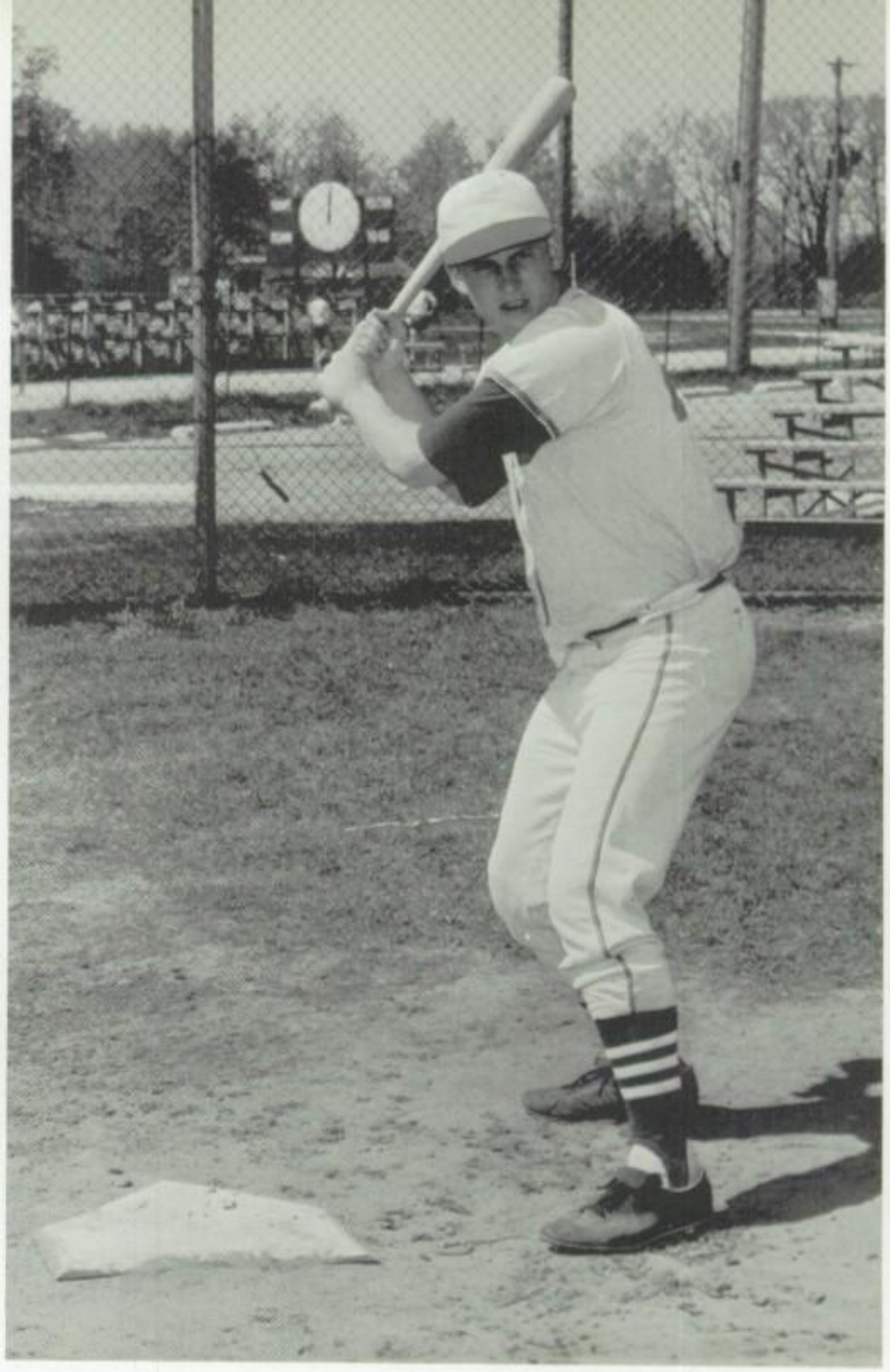
B. Sauter pins Adrian wrestler.

VARSITY, FRONT ROW: V. Walker, P. Cory, M. Seeburger. BACK ROW: L. Jackson, B. Slaybaugh, N. Clement.

Cheerleaders Urge Team On

M. McDowall, K. Pagel, C. Walker, D. Iffland, C. Reed, and J. Soff are the JV cheerleaders.

D. Thompson winds up to deliver the pitch.



Catcher M. Fatchett is an expert at the bat.

Determination And Baseball Season

The Blissfield Royals had a disappointing season with a record of 6 wins and 8 losses. In the league until the end, the Royals lost their last two games costing the team the championship. A highlight of the season was the 2 to 1 win over South Central champion, Adrian, in 11 innings in Blissfield's first tournament. This tournament will be an annual affair. The experience gained this year will be an asset to next year's team.

FRONT ROW: R. Villigas, G. Crist, W. Heineman, R. Gurica, G. Sedlacek, D. Cory, D. Bateson, E. Petee, M. Burgermeister, E. Martinez, R. Doremus. SECOND ROW: Coach Tuttle, T. Crist, G. Sedlacek, D. Thompson, M. Fatchett, D. Neuroth, A. Phillips, R. Prisby, K. Cranor, S. Porter, B. French.

Spirit Makes Exciting

S. Porter, E. Petee, W. Heineman, and D. Bateson are key men for Blissfield's defense.

Opponent		Blissfield
Sylvania	4	7
Whitmore	11	5
Airport	5	4
Airport	17	2
Flat Rock	0	3
Grosse Ile	0	5
Tecumseh	6	11
Monroe CC	5	8
Flat Rock	4	1
Grosse Ile	0	2
Tecumseh	8	0
Monroe CC	2	11
DeVilbiss	7	15
Adrian	2	1

B. Klenk gains experience in long jumping.

Shot-putter B. Villegas helps to gain points for his team.

Royals Try Harder

(LEFT) Long-jumper C. Burgermeister ended the season with a total of 80 3/4 points.

FRONT ROW: J. Tormoehlen, M. Crane, C. Gillen, T. Hoagland, J. Jackson, T. Krause, A. Thompson, D. Taylor. SECOND ROW: R. Fisher, J. Doremus, L. Westergaard, M. Staup, D. Knoblauch, B. Bussing, J. Lewis, D. Vanderlaan. THIRD ROW: Coach Brown, C. Burgermeister, B. Villegas, M. Haddix, C. Fetzer, B. Klenk, M. Andrews, R. Dubois, R. Stutzman, J. Staup.

Blissfield's Royal trackmen had a fairly unsuccessful season winning only one meet and losing six. Although this record does not look good, the Royals, coached by Mr. Jerry Brown, gained experience and knowledge for next year's team. Outstanding in the long jump, chalking up a total of 80 3/4 points was senior C. Burgermeister. He also took a place in the Regional Meet enabling him to go on to the State Meet. Other names mentionable in collecting points for their team (all totaled) were J. Lewis (37 1/4), R. Dubois (38 1/2), D. Taylor (27), and D. Vanderlaan (27 1/2). At the Huron League Meet held in Tecumseh, the Tecumseh Indians took first place while the Royals came in fifth.

FRONT ROW: D. Taylor, T. Krause, R. Stutzman. SECOND ROW: Coach Brink, W. Hagenbuch, V. Terry, L. Weinlander.

Royals Display Endurance

First Cross-Country Team For Blissfield

The Royals were off and running this fall with Blissfield High School's first cross-country team. This sport requires agility, as well as speed and stamina. Six men came out to challenge more experienced schools. The competition was high; but the runners kept in the race and gained experience for this up-and-coming sport at BHS.

L. Weinlander, W. Hagenbuch, V. Terry, and R. Stutzman race for the finish.

D. Wotring practices a drive after school.

LEFT TO RIGHT: K. Sprunk, B. Sprunk, Coach Neimi, D. Wotring, D. Knapp.

Blissfield Introduces Golf

This year is Blissfield's first attempt at golf. Considering this is the Royal's first year and that the majority of their opponents have had five years experience, their record of 6 wins and 6 losses is very good. Monroe Jefferson finished first in the league with Blissfield taking fourth place. Eight teams competed in the tournament held at Carleton Glen Country Club. Keith Sprunk was runner-up to medalist with a score of 83.

Coach Neimi advises K. Sprunk on a tee off.

Spotlight on . . .

. . . Organizations

Student Council Sponsors Computer Dance

FRONT ROW: D. Wotring, President; H. Estes, Vice-president; P. Cory, Secretary; M. Seeburger, Treasurer; Mr. Barger, Advisor. SECOND ROW: D. Gilson, J. Tormoehlen, V. Walker, L. Westergard, S. Semple, S. Rathburn, N. Clement, N. Brugger. THIRD ROW: D. Lamley, D. Fritz, J. Estes, D. Beal, B. Cools, L. Jackson, F. Pagel. FOURTH ROW: C. Burgermeister, B. Slaybaugh, D. Thompson, B. Klenk, L. Benthin, K. Eisenmann, K. Reed.

P. Cory and B. Klenk earnestly try to sell popcorn at a basketball game.

1968 proved to be a very prosperous year for the Student Council at BHS. They started the year off by sponsoring the annual get-acquainted dance in September. The Christmas Dance, which was also sponsored by the Student Council, was a great success. The student body danced to live music by our local band, the "Midnite Criers." By means of these dances and other varying ways, such as selling popcorn at all home games during the year the Student Council earned money.

During February and March, intramural basketball games were played under the direction of the Student Council. The Student Council planned Activities Week again this year. To bring the week to a climax, a Computer Dance was held on Friday, March 29. Our Student Council also participated in Student Council Exchange Day in the spring.

National Honor Society — A Credit To BHS

Becoming a member of the National Honor Society is one of the highest honors that can be bestowed upon a student of BHS. Inscribed upon the emblem of the National Honor Society are the letters C S S L which stand for character, service, scholarship, and leadership. Because there are so many extra-curricular activities, the National Honor Society is purely honorary. Initiation of new members was held at a banquet in April, including all members and their parents. Provisional membership cannot exceed 5% of the tenth grade enrollment, 10% of the eleventh grade enrollment, and 15% of the twelfth grade enrollment.

Sharon Barratt consults with Mrs. Boylan concerning eligibility list.

FIRST ROW: J. Isley, B. Warner, N. Clement, W. Heineman, J. Porter, S. Porter. SECOND ROW: Mrs. Boylan, S. Klauda, J. Valentine, C. Frost, L. Sayler, L. Jackson, P. Cory, J. Love, S. Barratt, L. Hepinstall. THIRD ROW: K. Eisenmann, L. Crots, H. Estes, J. Thompson, R. DeRousie, B. Slaybaugh, S. Porter.

BHS Band Performs

BAND COUNCIL: SEATED - S. Klauda, secretary; K. Jacobs, V. President; D. Maloney, President; Mr. McCormick, Director; S. Colyer, Drum Major.

Throughout the year, many things added to the excitement of the BHS band. Initiating its season, the band practiced in late summer for football games. New uniforms heightened the enthusiasm of the Blissfield band for the marching season. The annual magazine drive reached a new intensification in the fall of the year, which was followed by the competitive Tecumseh Band Festival in October. The football games were made more enjoyable by the entertaining music of the band members. Solo and Ensemble participants who received a "1" at District Solo and Ensemble were qualified to attend the State Solo and Ensemble at Muskegon. In March, the BHS band hosted bands at district festival. Residents and students of Blissfield High enjoyed the winter and spring concerts performed by the band members. To conclude another active year, the band played at the graduation ceremony.

SEATED: D. Maloney, K. Jacobs, J. Muck, P. Saxton, J. Grinage. STANDING: C. Dickerson, S. Seegert, P. Hueter, J. Porter, S. Semple, D. Zimmerman.

In New Uniforms

STANDING: L. Hepinstall, N. Bruegger, S. Klauda, N. Robertson, J. Handy, M. Flaherty.
SECOND ROW: M. Griewahn, J. Boylan, M. Benner, S. Alcock, B. Knoblauch, J. Porter.
FIRST ROW: V. Klump, D. Miller, B. Hodgins, S. Retter, S. Bragg.

STANDING: P. Saxton, S. Rathbun, S. Seeburger, D. Semple, V. Ebright. SEATED: D. Gilson, P. Brockway, B. Ford, J. Kerentoff.

K. Loar, M. Crane, M. Heineman, D. Fritz, B. Crist, R. Lindsay.

New uniforms gave the Blissfield band a new incentive this year to make every performance a success. Here, S. Seegert, S. Rathbun, S. Seeburger, D. Semple, and V. Ebright practice so they can perform their best at the District Festival.

BACK ROW: J. Onofrio, L. Knoblauch, S. Porter. SEATED: J. Knoblauch, P. Clement, D. LaSotta.

Under the direction of Mr. McCormick, J. Handy, M. Griewahn, and V. Klump rehearse a trio for District Solo and Ensemble.

BACK ROW: M. Seeburger, M. Bohs, B. Seeburger, M. Wilson. SEATED: S. Pixley, J. Venema, P. Buehrer.

Blissfield Band Hosts

C. Reed, D. Matuscak, Y. Pixley, J. Tormoehlen, H. Hodges.

R. Somes, K. Tuckerman, D. Reau, S. Robison, S. Colyer, J. Harpst, J. Ellison.

D. Reau, first chair trombone player, exhibits his ability.

J. Miredez, J. Rittner, F. DeGroff, D. Betz, D. Miller.

District Festival

FRONT ROW: J. Ybarra, L. Flores, D. Capetillo, B. Martinez, D. Poling, T. Martinez, D. Seager, D. Deer, D. Raymond, J. Eisenmann. SECOND ROW: D. Gentz, C. Crane, D. DeMille, C. Sayler, B. Warren, J. Grinage, D. Moore, D. Stieb, E. Brown, B. Wittscheck, M. Sayler, B. Shipman. THIRD ROW: D. Atkins, W. Goetz, D. Ogden, R. Tipton, G. Younglove, S. Kudlac, M. Staup, H. Dvorsky, E. Waterbury, M. Hadesh, K. Raymond, D. Sager, D. Reed. FOURTH ROW: Mr. Trump, R. Pena, R. Young, K. Sprunk, J. Stock, B. Weeber, D. Bauer, R. Cools, D. Beal, D. Dishong.

Mr. Trump Encourages

Mr. Trump, a newcomer at B. H. S. this year conducts the daily practice.

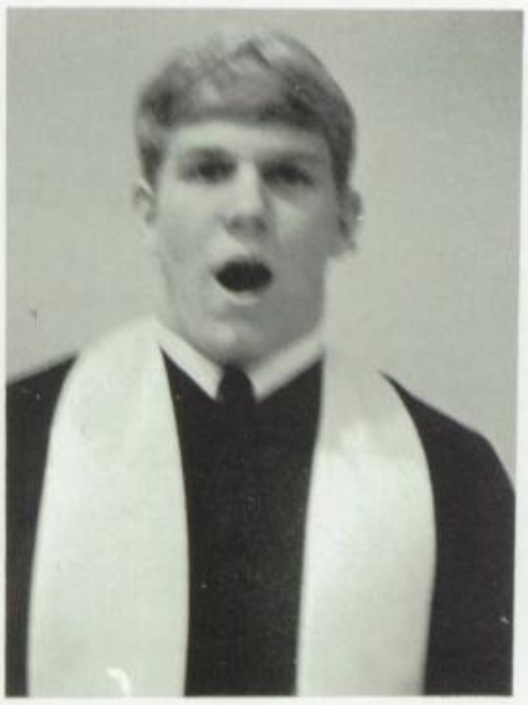
THE TREBELAIRES: Clockwise, W. Goetz, M. Staup, C. Crane, E. Waterbury, K. Raymond, J. Eisenmann, D. Maloney.

FRONT ROW: J. Ybarra, L. Flores, D. Capetillo, B. Martinez, D. Poling, T. Martinez, D. Seager, D. Deer, D. Raymond, J. Eisenmann. SECOND ROW: C. Crane, D. DeMille, C. Sayler, B. Warner, J. Grinage, D. Moore, D. Stieb, E. Brown, B. Wittscheck, M. Sayler, B. Shipman, Mr. Trump. THIRD ROW: D. Atkins, W. Geotz, D. Ogden, R. Tipton, G. Younglove, S. Kudlac, M. Staup, H. Dvorsky, E. Waterbury, M. Hadesh, K. Raymond, D. Sager, D. Reed.

Positive Mental Attitude

The chorus, under the direction of Mr. Albert Trump, underwent many changes from the previous years - the major ones being the addition of eleven boys to the chorus and the organization of the "Trebelaires," a group of six girls chosen from the chorus. The three main goals of the chorus were "to improve the status and appreciation of vocal music at BHS, to provide a variety of choral experiences which would add to the aesthetic growth of each student, and to perform many types and styles of choral music." The biggest project of the chorus was earning money to purchase new choir robes.

Bill Weeber exercises
vocal chords.



Chorus adds sparkle to Christmas Concert.

BACK ROW: B. Buehrer, Mr. Ridgley, Advisor; G. Hartman, Treasurer; K. Furgason, Vice President; M. E. Jackson, Secretary; J. Mallory. FRONT ROW: J. Kerentoff, S. Pixley, K. Flanagan, S. Porter, President.

Future Teachers Acquire Practical Experience

The Future Teachers Association, which is designed to guide students in the field of instruction, led many interesting activities this year. Members of F. T. A. aided elementary teachers after school and also helped with the adult education classes. An informative account of a trip to Mexico, given by Sandra Pixley, added to the interest of the club meetings.

K. Furgason aids an elementary student.

Future Secretaries Sell Sports Programs

FRONT ROW: Miss Hine, Advisor; L. Crots, Vice-President; S. Ishmiel, Secretary; S. Seegert, Treasurer. SECOND ROW: P. Deer, B. Harrwaldt, K. Hillman, D. Black, R. Ruhl, President; C. Dickerson, S. Seeburger, M. Griewahn. THIRD ROW: B. Knoblauch, M. Seeburger, N. Woodward, D. Bennett.

The Future Secretaries made and sold all football and basketball programs during the school year. This included typing them and also stapling them together. Not many BHS students realize what an asset this was to our school athletic department. The club had an initiation picnic in the fall and a Christmas party.

At one regular meeting, the FSC held a panel of recent Blissfield graduates who talked on the pros and cons of further training after high school. At another meeting, Miss Patten, from Stautzenburger College, talked on the application of make-up and good grooming.

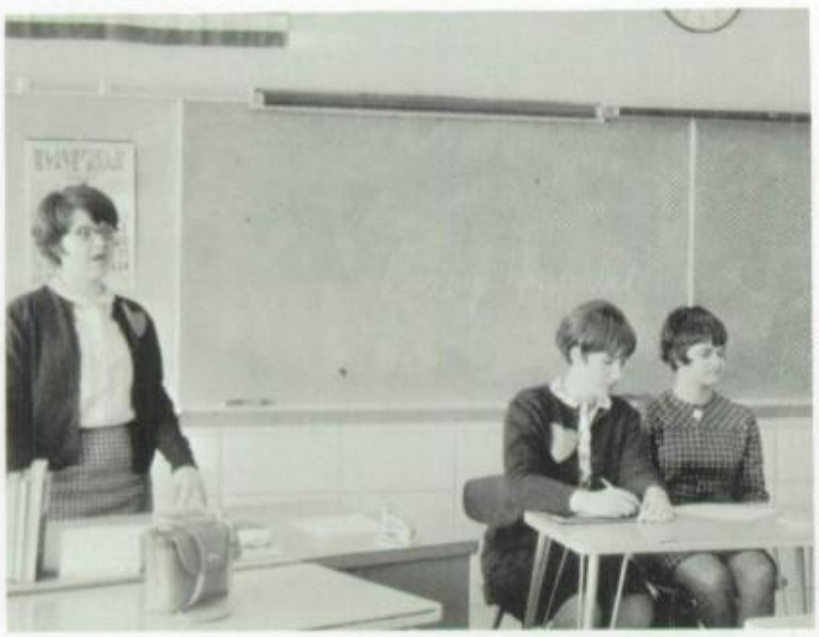
In the spring, a dinner party was held at a Toledo restaurant.

D. Lamley finally gives in and hands
S. Ishmiel a dime for a basketball program.

FRONT ROW: J. Love, President; J. Eisenmann, Secretary; D. Reed, Treasurer; C. Crane, Corresponding secretary. SECOND ROW: P. Clement, J. Porter, J. Bourdette, M. Wilson, J. Handy, S. Retter, J. Onofrio, L. Rodriquez. THIRD ROW: Mrs. Culhane, Advisor; R. Ferow, C. Mallory, S. Scheurer, P. Brockway, K. Raymond, H. Dvorsky, C. Tuckerman, S. Bragg.

Future Nurses Consult With County Authority

"Nursing In Foreign Countries," shown at a regular meeting, was one of the most instructive films for members of FNC. During regular meetings, members often gave demonstrations. The county health department nurse came to talk with Future Nurses. One of the most entertaining activities was the Mothers' Tea at Christmas.



President J. Love gives pointers to FNC members.

J. Love and S. Scheurer listen to the County Nurse.

Dave Boyer jokes with P. Cory and B. Warner.

The purpose of the Teens for Christ Club is to provide Christian fun and fellowship for high school students. During the year the club enjoyed many activities. The TCC had a banquet in February, with Dave Boyer as the guest speaker. They also had steady couples from Blissfield High participate in the steady game. The showing of the film "I Hear a New Song" along with games, contests, and devotional time, were some of the activities which the members enjoyed. The club members also provided devotions at the beginning of each school day.

TCC Has Dave Boyer As Banquet Speaker

FRONT ROW: P. Cory, President; C. Warner, V. President; B. Warner, Secretary; B. Slaybaugh, Treasurer; Mrs. Ruesink, Advisor. SECOND ROW: P. Clement, L. Loar, P. Miller, J. Porter, Y. Pixley, C. Reed. THIRD ROW: J. Eisenmann, J. Loar, S. Smith, S. Pixley, J. Grinage, B. Leonard, J. Porter, S. Porter. FOURTH ROW: M. Miller, N. Clement, J. Mallory, B. McHenry, D. Piotter, J. Case, L. Wegner, K. Jacobs, J. Grinage. FIFTH ROW: L. Sayler, C. Mallory, S. Hamilton, L. Benthin, G. Hartman, C. Dickerson, J. Thompson, S. Klump, H. Hodges.

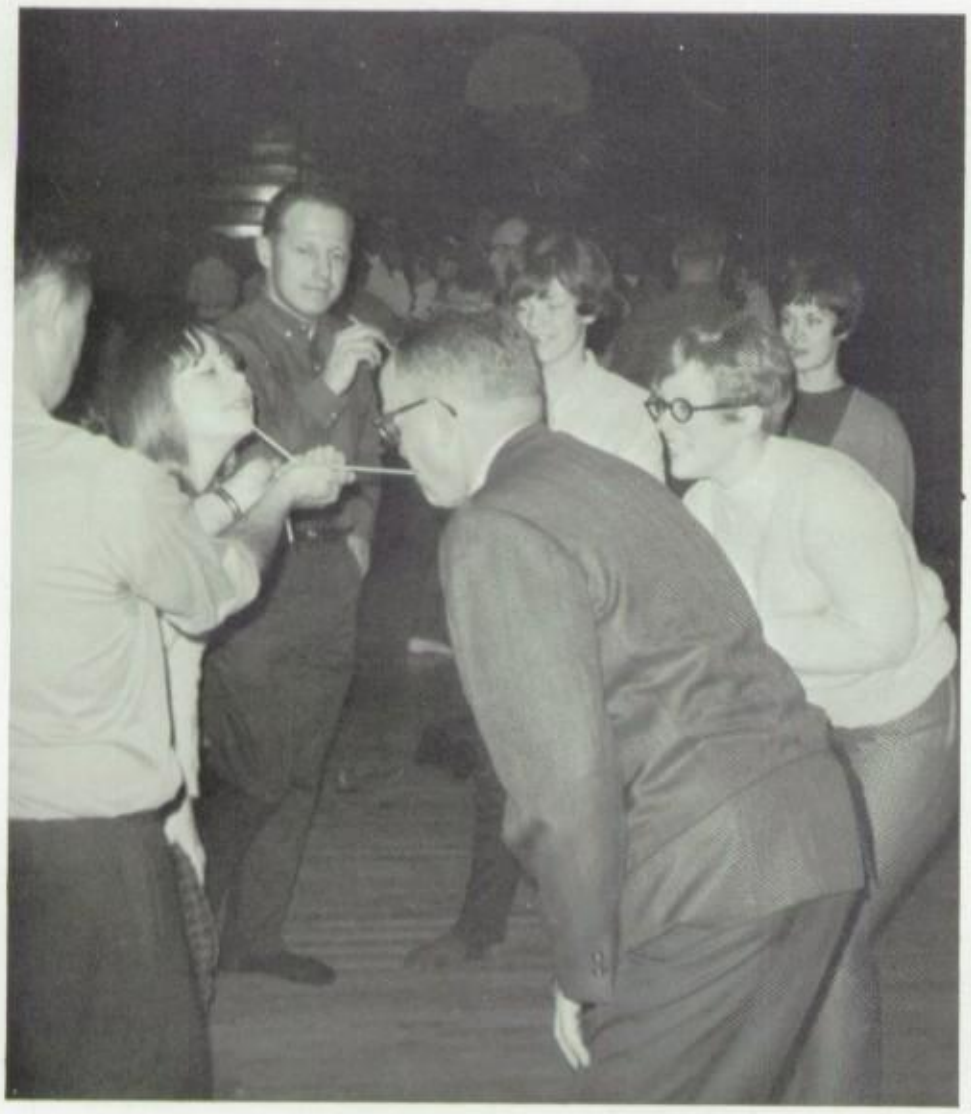
A FHA First —

FIRST ROW: Mrs. Case, Advisor; S. Mitchell, President; C. Crane, Vice-President; C. Gautz, Secretary; J. Valentine, Treasurer; V. Klump, V. P. of Degrees; M. Gautz, V. P. of Projects; M. Woods, V. P. of Evaluation; W. Goetz, V. P. of Public Relations; B. Ford, Parliamentarian; S. Robison, Historian; D. Ogden, V. P. of Recreation; Mrs. Durbin, Advisor. SECOND ROW: J. Ybarra, C. Aten, D. LaSotta, L. Loar, K. Shoemaker, C. Wilson, K. Vanderlaan, V. Woodbury, B. Prielipp, S. Demey, I. Rodriquez, A. Mraz, P. Mead, L. Florez. THIRD ROW: D. Steib, S. Lievens, B. Leonard, D. Smith, B. Hodgins, C. Pangburn, P. Baker, P. Buehrer, J. Grinage, K. Flanagan, C. Neuroth, S. Steib, M. Holtz. FOURTH ROW: J. Ford, V. Ebright, M. Woodward, K. Hillman, C. Neuroth, J. Mallory, K. Furgason, M. Miller, D. Porter, K. Frost, C. Mitchell, C. Buehrer, J. Betz. FIFTH ROW: C. McCarty, P. Miller, C. Mallory, C. Venema, J. Thompson, P. Brockway, B. Herman, R. Feeney, S. Hamilton, P. Brockway, K. Hillman, I. Demusky, S. Seegert, P. Saxton, D. Piotter.

FHA members enjoy their fathers' companionship.

Mrs. Case and Mrs. Elliot discuss the grocery list.

"Daddy Date Night"



Steady now ... oops!

FHA members D. Smith, C. Venema, and W. Goetz rival their opponents.

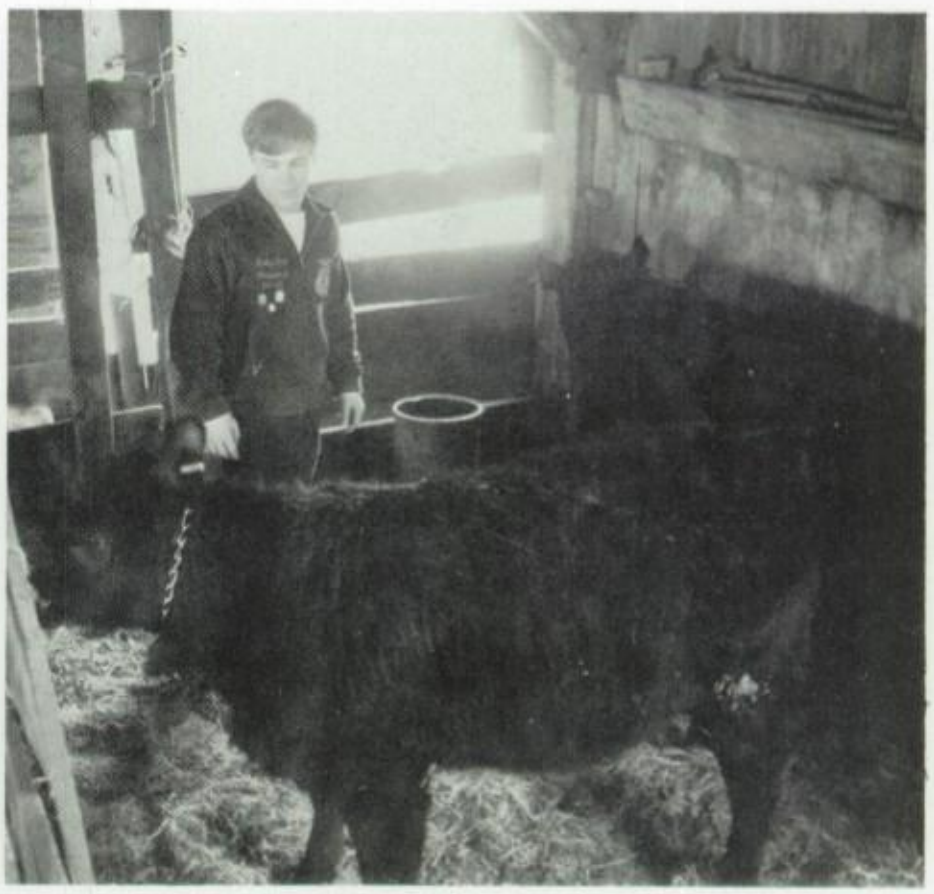
With their enlightening measures for FHA, the members have strengthened their organization with many noteworthy fetes. This year the Blissfield FHA sent a delegation to the regional meeting at Britton, Michigan. The Blissfield chapter was honored with two regional officers: president, Sue Robison, and secretary, Vickie Klump. "Pow-wow" was the theme of the FHA during the fall. This was a recruiting measure for new members. Miss Hine gave an informative talk on how to make your money "behave." The highlight of the month of February was "Daddy Date Night." The members brought their fathers to the meeting for a night of entertainment and fellowship. Following the entertainment, the principles of FHA were explained. The girls attended the State meeting in April and in May, enjoyed the annual Mothers' Tea.

FIRST ROW: G. Roe, D. Neuroth, D. Fritz, K. Eisenmann, E. Judson, J. Clement. SECOND ROW: D. Loar, K. Loar, A. Porter, M. Burgermeister, D. Terry, D. Fritz, A. Goddyn, D. Taylor, W. Loar, J. Knoblauch, G. Ostrander, D. Gentz. THIRD ROW: T. Jacob, L. Sayler, L. Sawyer, R. Thompson, B. Goetz, P. Wilczynski, A. Thompson, R. Marks, D. Steffen, B. Ford, D. Loar, G. Gordon. FOURTH ROW: R. Neyrinck, D. Goetz, T. Goetz, R. Fink, R. Bragg, M. Fatchett, M. Whitman, M. Salisbury, G. Sliker, G. Phillips, R. Loar, R. Love.

FFA Boys Learn

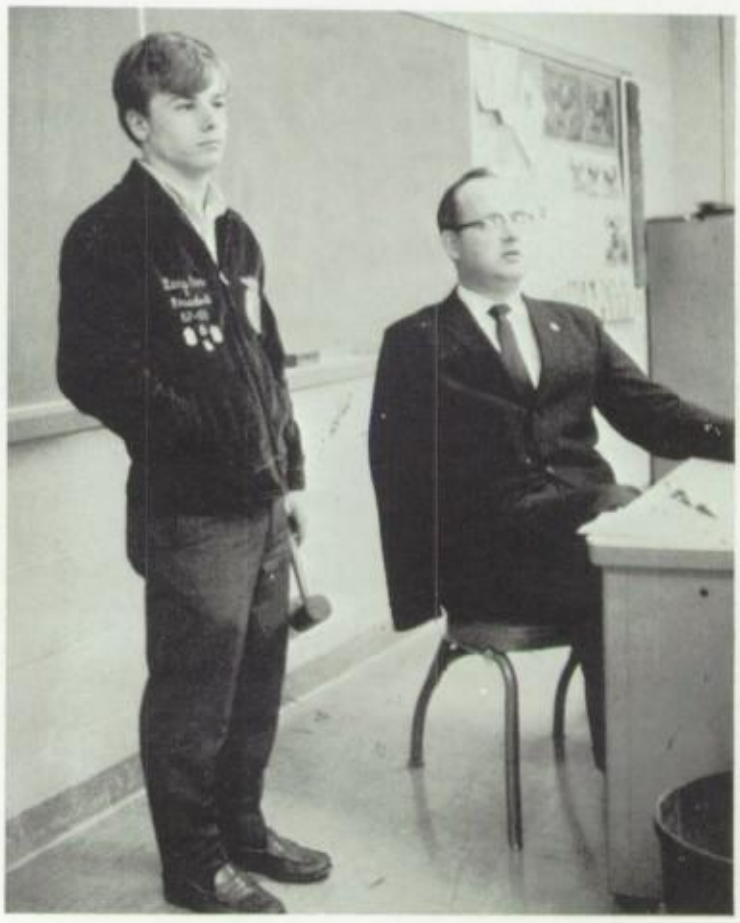
Officers K. Eisenmann, treas.; D. Fritz, sec.; Mr. Venema, advisor; G. Roe, pres.; J. Clement, sentinel; E. Judson, reporter; and D. Neuroth, vice-pres.; plan highlights for the coming year.

G. Roe observes the qualities of his future champion steer.



The main purposes of the Future Farmers of America are learning of thrift, leadership, service, cooperation, citizenship, recreation, and establishing a better method of farming. After many years of state and local student organizations, the national FFA was organized in Kansas City, Missouri, in November, 1928.

The FFA motto is "Learning to do, doing to learn, learning to live, living to serve." The highlights of the BHS chapter included having a joint meeting with Sand Creek, attending the State Convention, and having the parent-son banquet. The winners of the top chapter awards also took a three-day canoe trip in northern Michigan. The goals of the club were to have a state championship team and to have better understandings and attitudes by the members.

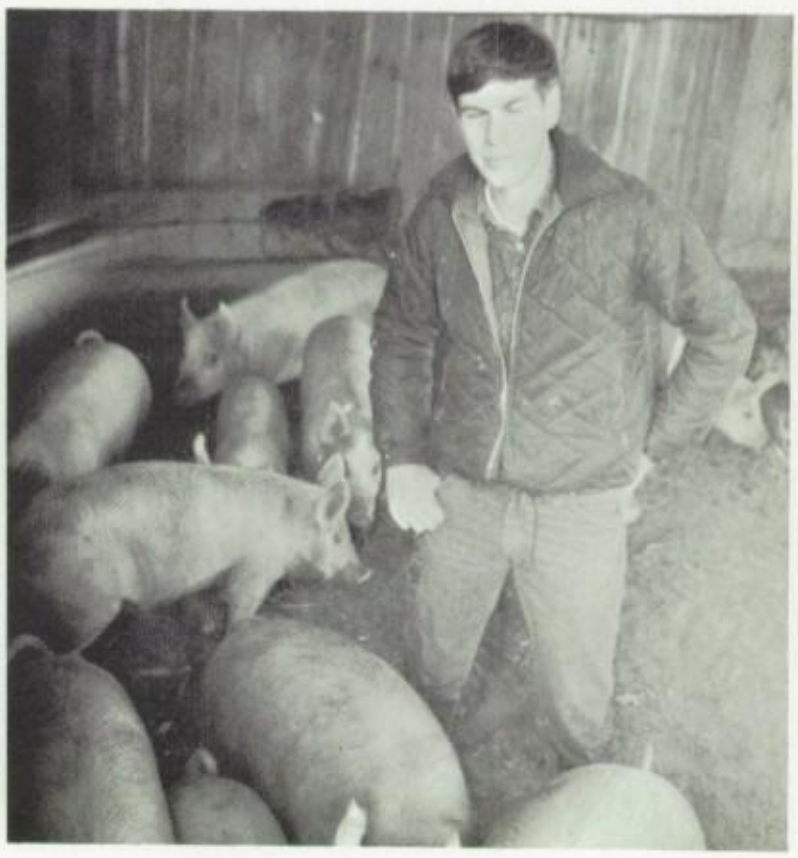


Pres. G. Roe and Advisor Mr. Venema preside over a meeting.

Agricultural Skills

New members are initiated using the Greenhand Ceremonies.

E. Judson displays his FFA project.



J. Onofrio and B. Klenk are helped with their Latin costumes.

The Latin Club is an informal group which meets during their class hours. An activity which they planned for the year was a spring picnic. Advisor for the club is Mrs. Daphene Onofrio.

Latin Club Learns Roman Cultures

FRONT ROW: C. Robertson, B. Klenk, B. Clark, R. Dubois, D. Cheney, J. Waterbury. SECOND ROW: J. Thompson, J. Onofrio, J. Valentine, D. Maloney, S. Brown, C. Tuckerman, Mrs. Onofrio.

FRONT ROW: C. Horvath, President; V. Walker, Vice-president; S. Klauda, Secretary; S. Porter; Treasurer; Mrs. McColl, Advisor. SECOND ROW: J. Ybarra; L. Rodriquez; S. Porter, J. Soff, D. Raymond, T. Garivay, Y. Pixley, L. Gilson. THIRD ROW: S. Pixley, C. Carlton, G. Ganun, M. J. Benner, K. Raymond, D. Zimmerman, S. Soff, B. Knisel. FOURTH ROW: D. Lamley, F. DeGroff, B. Bussing, S. Porter, J. Beal, G. Hartman, R. Stutzman.

Spanish Club Holds Traditional Christmas Party

The purpose of the Spanish Club is to give its members a better understanding of the Spanish language and the history and customs of the Spanish-speaking countries. The members had a Christmas party with the traditional pinatas and games. In April the club held their traditional Spanish banquet. The club was headed by the following officers: Cal Horvath, president; Vickie Walker, vice-president; Suzanne Klauda, secretary; Sandy Porter, treasurer.

Spanish Club plans their banquet.

GAA Plays Powder-Puff Football Game

FRONT ROW: B. Slaybaugh, Parliamentarian; L. Jackson, Sports Chairman; S. Robison, Historian. SECOND ROW: S. Klump, President; S. Ishmiel, Vice President; N. Clement, Secretary; C. Walker, Treasurer; J. Valentine, Points Chairman; Mrs. Brown, Advisor. THIRD ROW: J. Brown, T. Garivay, D. Rodriquez, D. Marlatt, M. Seeburger, J. Wilczynski, A. Mraz. FOURTH ROW: S. Leivens, J. Soff, B. Buehrer, K. Rodesiler, B. Leonard, K. Flanagan, L. Gunderman, J. Eisenmann. FIFTH ROW: L. Hepinstall, R. Ferrow, M. E. Jackson, K. Furgason, C. McCarty, M. Pfeifer, C. Neuroth, M. Wilson, V. Walker. SIXTH ROW: D. Beard, N. Wotring, B. Herman, L. Benthin, B. Clark, S. Hamilton, S. Holubik, N. Robertson.

The Girls Athletic Association prides itself in displaying good sportsmanship and demonstrating physical skill. One of the main activities of the year was the highly-awaited powder-puff football game. The annual bowling tournament also intensified the competition between the girls. Such sports as basketball, volleyball, and badminton were included at general meetings.

Football boys confer with GAA girls at Powder-Puff Football Game.

ROYAL JESTER Buys New Press

The goal the ROYAL JESTER Staff set for themselves was to have the "best newspaper in BHS history." The main purpose of the ROYAL JESTER was to provide unbiased information; to build school unity; and to interpret the school to the community. One highlight of the year was the Secret Sweetie Contest, held to give the students a chance to guess the ROYAL JESTER'S sweeties, Debbie Reed and Don Neuroth. Two new features of the JESTER were the Quill and Scroll, a journalistic judging organization, and being judged by the National Student Press Association. Debbie Reed, the editor and chief, with the help of the JESTER'S advisor, Mr. Evans, led the staff through a rewarding year.

Di Maloney prepares stencil.

FIRST ROW: S. Klump, K. Reed, D. Rogers. SECOND ROW: D. Reed, J. Muck, B. Buehrer, B. James, D. Maloney, K. Furgason, L. Gilson, Mr. Evans. THIRD ROW: V. Klump, J. Singler, M. Wilson, E. Wolfe, M. Pfeifer, B. Crist, J. Tormoehlen, J. Valentine, S. Pixley, P. Hueter. FOURTH ROW: J. Sheldon, P. Cory, S. Semple, R. Stutzman, C. Burgermeister, G. Hartman, J. Tormoehlen, P. Anderson, J. Estes, B. Sauter, J. Stock.

FIRST ROW: B. Hodgins, J. Soff, M. Miller, M. Woods, P. Meade, B. Fink, E. Waterbury, K. Buehrer, B. Schmelzer, M. Miller. SECOND ROW: J. Valentine, M. Pfeifer, C. Schwyn, J. Rittner, L. Crots, Mr. Hillyard, S. Klump, B. Chapman. THIRD ROW: P. Clement, J. Ybarra, S. Wilson, A. Mraz, P. Saxton, B. Knoblauch, J. Boylan, C. Walker, N. Brugger, M. Seeburger, K. Flanagan, C. Reed, C. Robertson, M. McDowell. FOURTH ROW: C. Crane, P. Baker, S. Barratt, V. Ebright, S. Bell, S. Seeburger, M. Wilson, V. Walker, C. Flanagan, N. Clement, J. Porter, C. Gillin, K. Pagel, J. Loar, O. Rodriquez. FIFTH ROW: D. Baker, C. Johnson, M. Hadesh, L. Sayler, D. Iffland, K. Rodesiler, E. Wolf, L. Bierman, K. Tuckerman, S. Lievens, N. Steiner, J. Tuckerman, K. Purser, K. Furgason, S. Ishmiel, D. Ogden. SIXTH ROW: L. Jackson, S. Hamilton, M. Benner, J. Ellison, P. Cory, P. Brockway, C. Gubbe, P. Brockway, G. Hartman, B. Slaybaugh, D. Betz, S. Semple, J. Stock, S. Rathbun, R. Tipton, C. Frost, R. Stutzman.

Pep Club Adds Spirit To BHS

A Pep Club was added to the extra curricular activities of BHS. The Pep Club not only cheered the Royal boys to victory but also helped the cheerleaders with many of their duties. Hallways, lockers, and the gym were decorated with colorful signs constructed by the Pep Club members. The Pep Band actively participated in all home games.

The Pep Club displays its school enthusiasm by cheering our Royal team on to another victory.

'68 ELYSIUM Staff Initiates New Advisor

The '68 Elysium staff was under the direction of a new advisor, Mrs. Gould. This year the members of the staff chose as a theme for the yearbook, "Spotlight on BHS." All members of the staff worked hard to depict this theme throughout the book. A new cover design and a new idea for division pages were used to help depict the theme. In taking pictures, our photographers, Bruce Bussing and John Novak, tried to take pictures that best portrayed "Spotlight on BHS." The staff earned money in two ways: selling advertisements and selling subscriptions.

S. Robison, S. Soff, and L. Sayler plan the faculty pages for the '68 Elysium.

FRONT ROW: S. Klauda, J. Isley, B. L. Knoblauch, C. Crane, L. Hepinstall, S. Barratt. SECOND ROW: S. Robison, S. Soff, C. Frost, B. McHenry, J. Novak, S. Brown, V. Walker, J. Love, Mrs. Gould. THIRD ROW: E. Brown, L. Sayler, C. Gubbe, J. Tormoehlen, B. Bussing, R. DeRousie, L. Crots, D. Miller, E. Waterbury.

Spotlight on . . .

. . . Activities

Introducing . . . Home

Look to the left, look to the right, but march forward!

As Superintendent Wilson and Mr. Seeburger watch, Barb Harrison presents roses to the new Homecoming Queen, Monica Seeburger.

To each student, Homecoming 1967 had a different highlight. To some the light was focused on the high-stepping band, while to others it was the radiant smile of the newly-crowned homecoming queen. To our strong-spirited fans, the light shone brightest as the Royals chalked up another victory. After the students' past week of hard work, the light glowed upon the finished floats. All these highlights focused together form the complete picture of Homecoming 1967.

The name of the game is SPIRIT!

coming 1967

S. Mitchell and N. Clement rode the Senior float "Make a Beeline for Our Goal."

M. Pfeifer and D. Cheney rode the Sophomore float "Win Royalty."

S. Klump and cheerleaders V. Walker and P. Cory show the BHS driving spirit.

"Victory is as Good as Gold" was ridden by Juniors, L. Jackson and J. Handy.

D. Gehring proudly rode on the Freshman float "The Peak of Perfection."

TOP: 1967 Homecoming Queen candidates were Freshman, C. Harrwaldt; Sophomore, K. Pagel; Junior, M. Wilson; Senior, Monica Seeburger. Each was escorted by her father. On hand to crown the new queen was the 1966 Queen, Barb Harrison.

Halfback D. Fritz catches a high one.

D. Fritz. And the beat goes on.

The BHS Royals give it their all.

For Everyone There Was A Moment

To the queen candidates, the moment of suspense before the winning queen was announced will be remembered for a lifetime. A halfback will remember catching a high pass. From the instant of kick off, the team fought vigorously. Band members will remember playing as the queen candidates were introduced.

After three years of defeat, the seniors finally had a golden moment of their own - the moment when the winning float was announced. For most students the moment of relief from the homecoming bustle was the homecoming dance.

L. Crots, J. Porter, and J. Grinage poured the victory punch.

The Seniors made a touchdown in the float department with "Make A 'B'-Line For Our Goal."

The Jury Room

Steve Porter sets the scene for the detection of the true murderer.

The Jury Room was chosen as the 1967-1968 all-school play. The cast was made up of twelve students who remained on the stage during the entire play. Centered around a murder trial, the play had a surprise ending. While trying to agree upon a verdict, the real murderer, one of the jurors, was uncovered.

The play was under the direction of Mrs. Judy Mershon. Those in the cast were Peggy Baker, Steve Porter, Keith Sprunk, Brian James, Carolyn Dickerson, Pat Clement, Rick Stutzman, Donna Poling, Roy DeRousie, Jo Isley, Carolyn Carlton, and Virginia DeGroff.

Roy DeRousie, portraying the nephew, shows his ambitious spirit in the re-creation of the murder scene. Peggy Baker and Virginia DeGroff watch.

Mrs. Mershon applies make-up to Roy DeRousie.

Joanne Isley plays nurse to Pat Clement and Carolyn Dickerson sympathizes.

As fellow jurors listen, Carolyn Carlton tells the fortune of the accused.

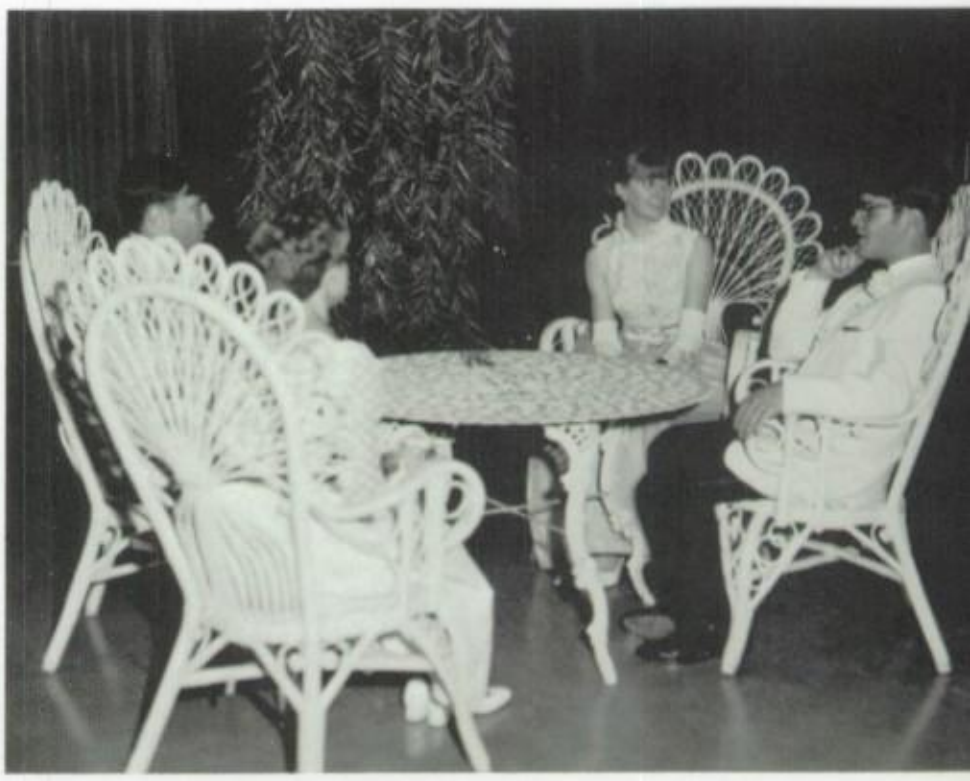
The jurors contemplate the verdict. LEFT TO RIGHT: D. Poling, J. Isley, V. DeGroff, S. Porter, P. Baker, R. DeRousie.

Dark Depths Of Mozambique Jungle Set The Scene For An Exotic Junior-Senior Prom

Step out in the open, Tarzan!

Buffet table crowded with "eager eaters."

They finally found a place to rest!



Burning torches lighted the entrance to the Junior-Senior Prom held Saturday, May 18, 1968. After walking over the "River Mozambique" across an elevated bridge, guests descended into a vine-covered hallway. A huge "boiling" cauldron with a shrunken head beside it was to the right of the bridge. Display cases contained grass skirts, carved figures from Africa, spears, and hand-carved masks made by the Junior class. A sixteen-foot alligator and a six-foot giraffe also adorned the hallway.

Dark green paper streamers festooned the cafeteria celing. A life-size mural of a rhinoceros drew attention to the back wall. Tropical flowers, a thatch hut, a comfortable resting place, and the music of "Dave Daniels and the Hi-Lighters" made the cafeteria a delightful congregation room.

From 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. a buffet supper, set in a large thatch hut, was served. Six-foot Tiki gods helped light the gym. Three hundred guests ate at small clusters of tables strewn around the room. Murals of a nine-foot elephant, a nineteen-foot giraffe, and a papier-mache rhinoceros added to the realism of the wild jungle. Reed dividers were used to separate the eating place from the bleachers. The buffet table was overflowing with breads, molded salads, relishes, and cold meats. To make the night more eloquent, servers, wearing khaki shorts, white shirts, and pith helmets, passed hors d'oeuvres on silver platters to the guests.

The events, the decorations, the buffet supper, and the enthusiasm of the night all added to the well-portrayed theme of the Juniors unusual "Jungle" Prom.

Descending from the elevated bridge, B. Harrwaldt and L. Staup enter the exotic jungle.

D. Reed and R. Rohroback make friends with George the giraffe.

Seniors Become Part Of The Jet-Set: Destination Washington, D.C.

All aboard for Washington, D.C.

L. Brown hunts for another picture possibility.

J. Isley and E. Waterbury are the senior star-gazers.

J. Rittner takes a load off his feet.

Seniors line up for Washington, D.C. pic.

Weariness Causes Distortion

B. Bussing, Love?

Wake up, Shirley, the bus is leaving!

E. Petee, D. Fritz, D. Neuroth, and D. Anderson welcome the seniors to Virginia?

C. Burgermeister and B. Buehrer - when your feet give out, you substitute!

C. Burgermeister, B. Buehrer, and L. Hepinstall - ride 'em cowboys!

(RIGHT) E. Petee, R. DeRousie, D. Neuroth, D. Fritz, and D. Anderson tame the wild beast of Washington, D.C.

A Night To Remember — "Senior Laugh-In '68"

During the last few days of high school, every senior glances back through the past four years. This year the flashback was entitled "Senior Laugh-In," produced and directed by the top twenty of the class with the help of Mrs. Helen Kafer.

Class Night '68 began with a serious thought by the Reverend Floyd Ellison and Suzanne Klauda's Salutatory speech. After the preliminaries, though, things swung into a full-size party. From that moment the Blissfield High School cafetorium was filled with the roar of laughter. The incidents of the past were reviewed; the outstanding abilities, characteristics, and fame of the Class of '68 were willed to a variety of recipients; and the future was prophesized. Also, there were guest appearances by well-known celebrities. There was fun for all until the closing minutes when tears could be seen glittering in the eyes of many seniors.

The finale again hit a serious note as the audience was asked to "Try to Remember." The party was over. Steve Porter gave his Valedictory address and the Reverend Ellison summarized the hopes and prayers of everyone at Class Night 1968. Then it was time that every senior look to the future once more.

Smiling B. Buehrer finally learned how to ride her tricycle.

L. Crots, B. Bussing, and S. Soff deliver the class history.

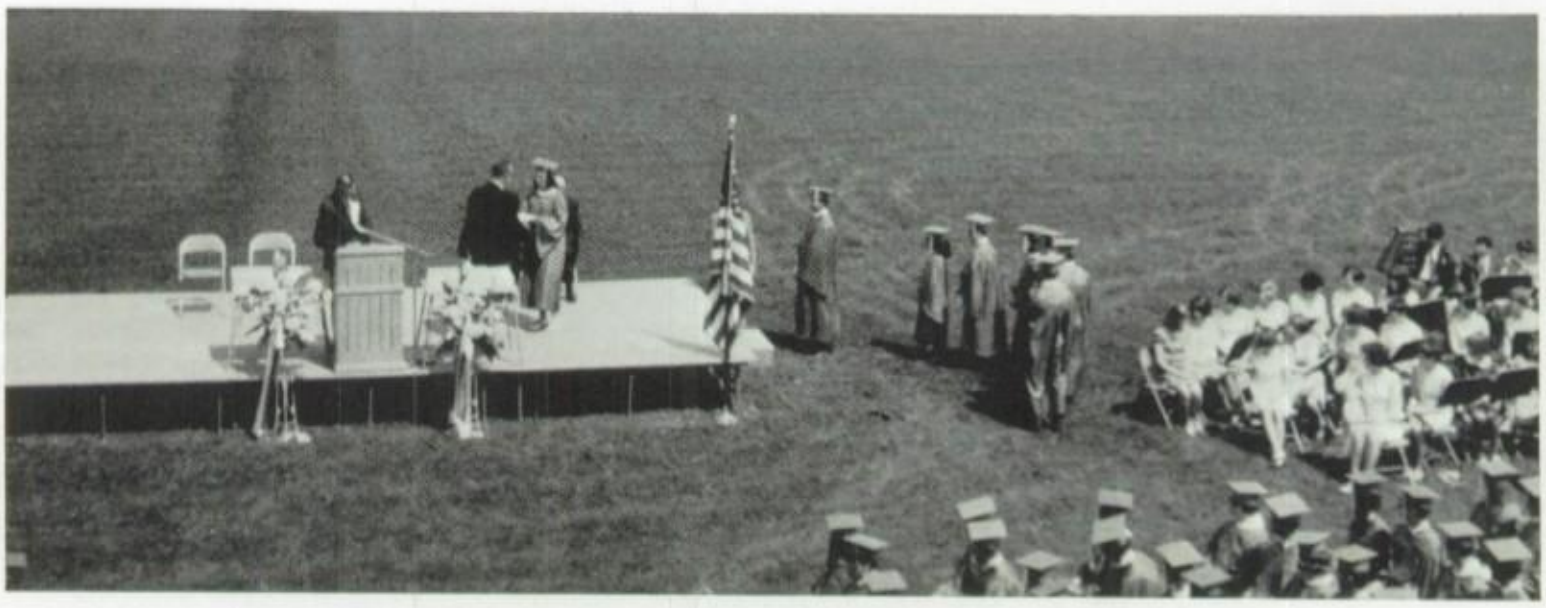
"Laugh-In's" special guest was Henry Gibson, alias L. Brown.

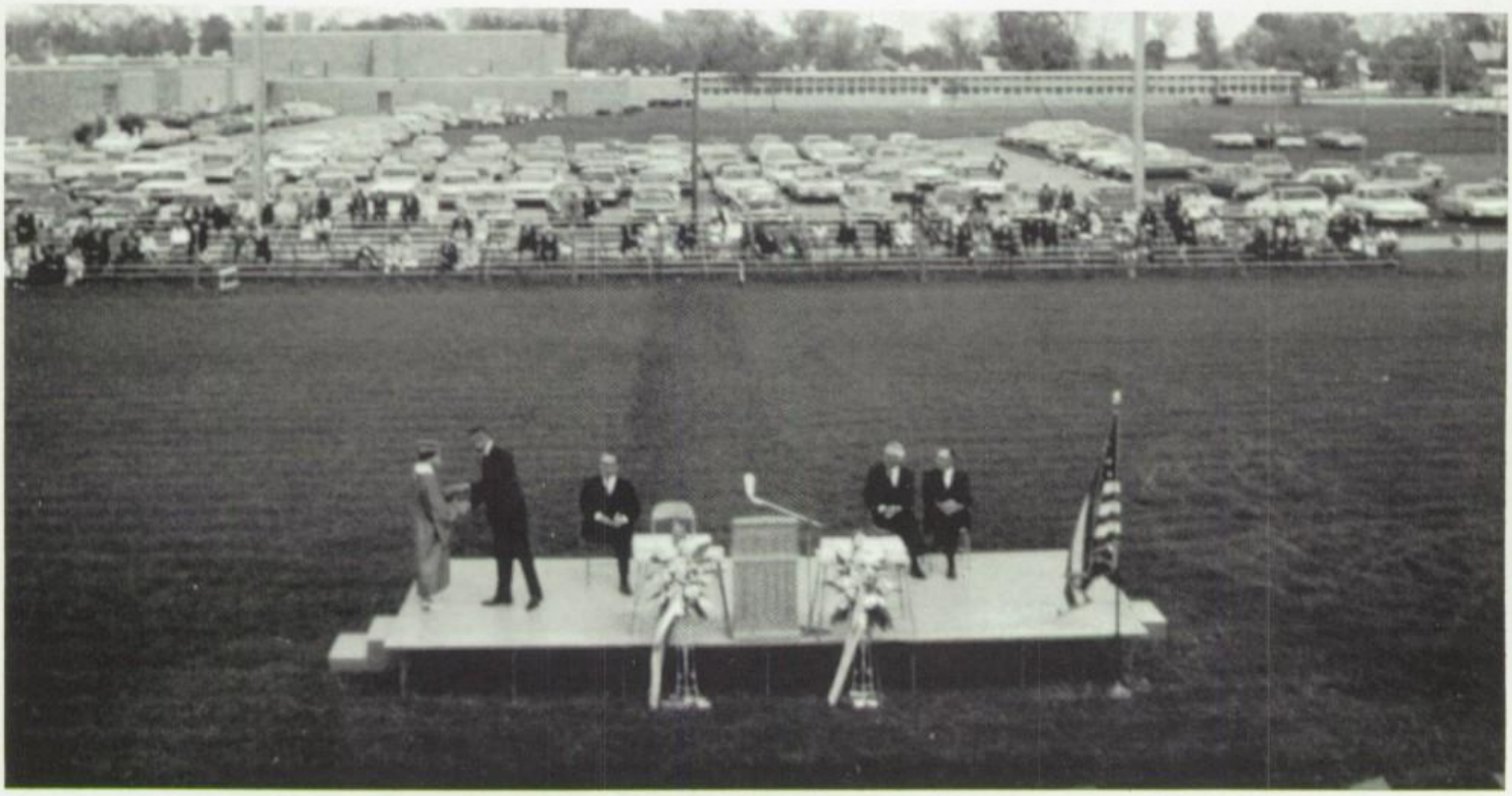
Tiny Tim (B. Bussing) made a guest appearance singing his famous theme song, "Tip-Toe Through the Tulips."

Commencement: June 2, 1968

Dr. Rolland Strolle from Western Michigan University spoke to the 1968 grads on the "A B C's of Maturity."

The moment everyone has waited for.

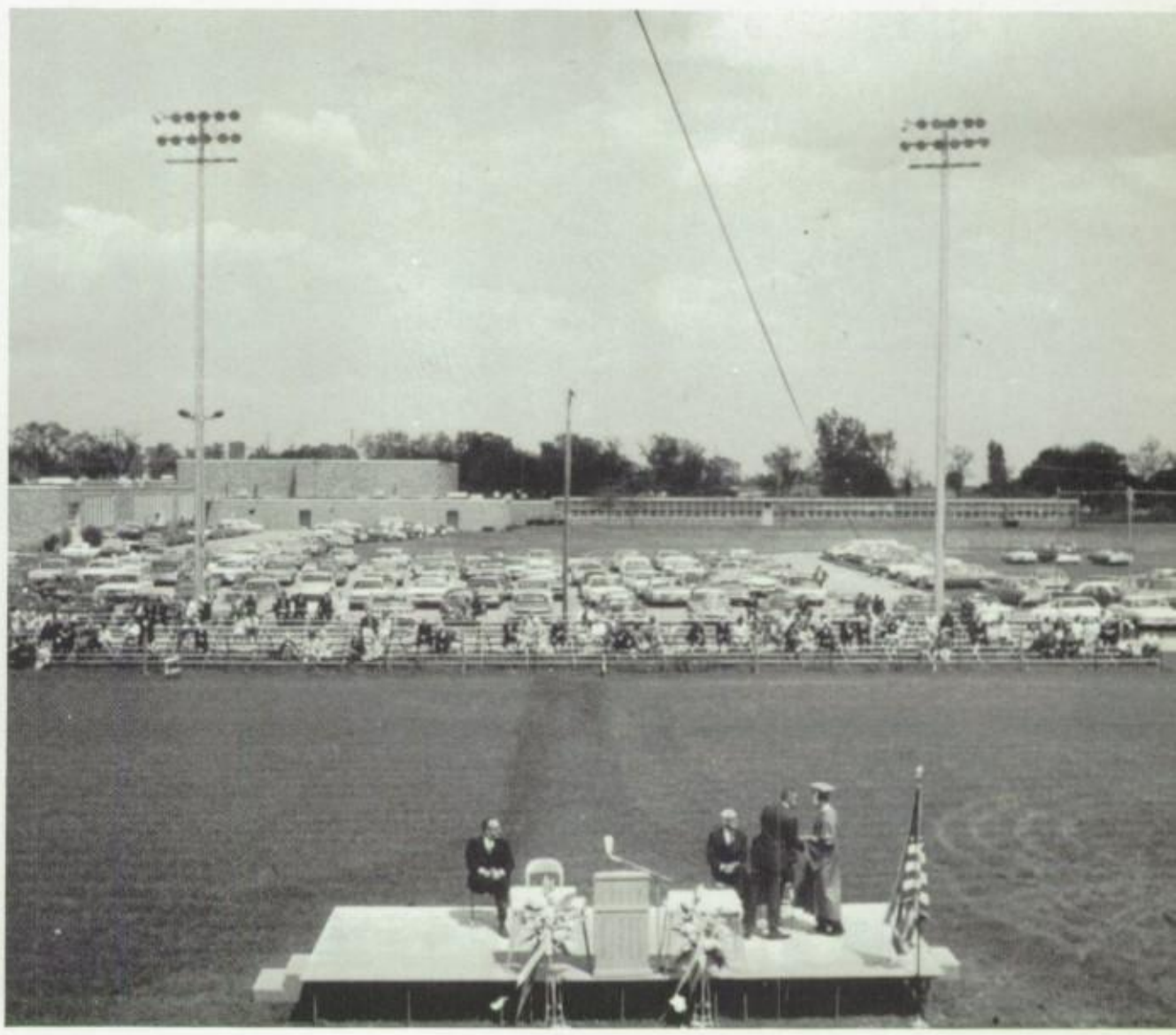




Suzanne Klauda receiving the Danforth Award.

Dr. Strolle addressing the grads.

Bruce Bussing receiving the Danforth Award.



Spotlight on . . .

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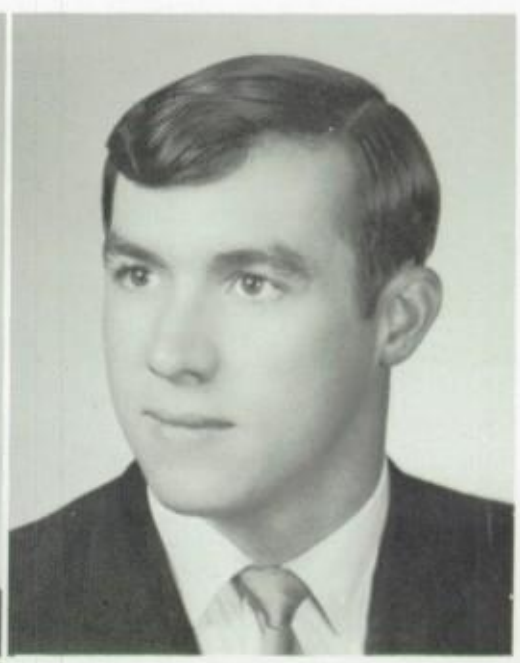
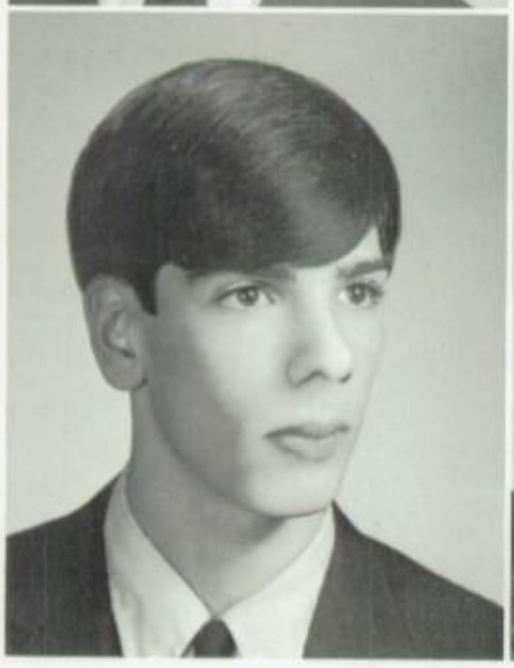
Seniors Ready For Graduation



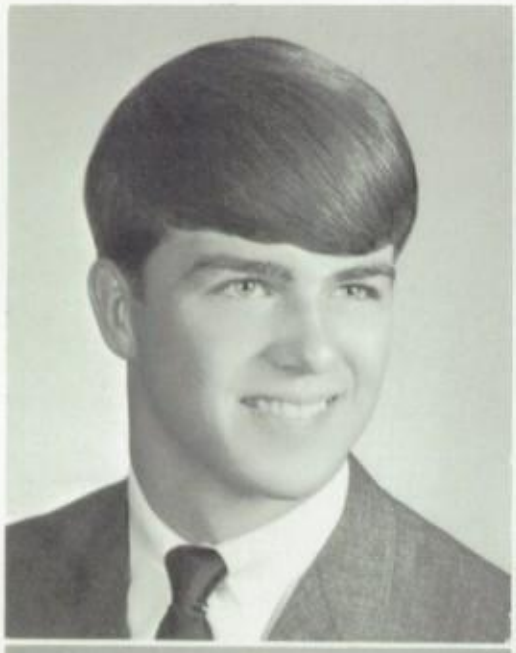
Tom Anderson

The "jet-set" seniors are led by D. Anderson, president; C. Gautz, secretary; S. Porter, treasurer; and D. Fritz, vice president.



Linda Alcock
Mike Andrews
Mike Bassett

Denny Anderson
Sharon Barratt
Mike Bates



Dan Beal
Donnis Black

Lissi Benthin
Becky Blain
Larry Bliesner

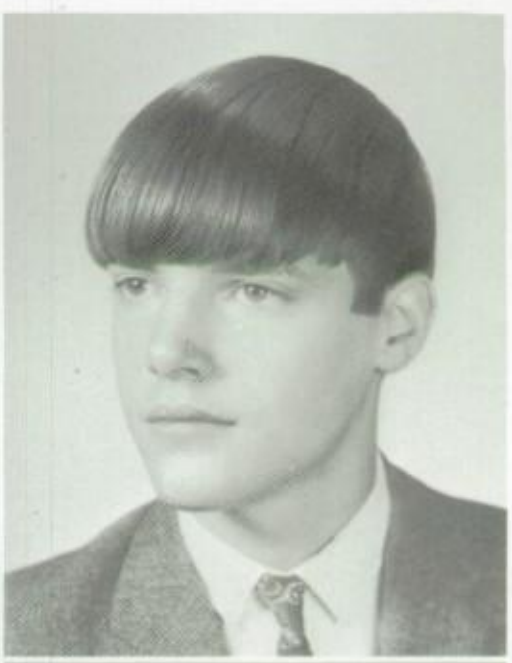
Lawrence Burger
Bernie Blake
Jane Bourdette

Many Happy

B. Buehrer, L. Hepinstall, P. Cory, and J. Porter are hard at work in physics.

Bob Bragg
Larry Brown
Barb Buehrer

Elaine Brown
Chuck Burgermeister



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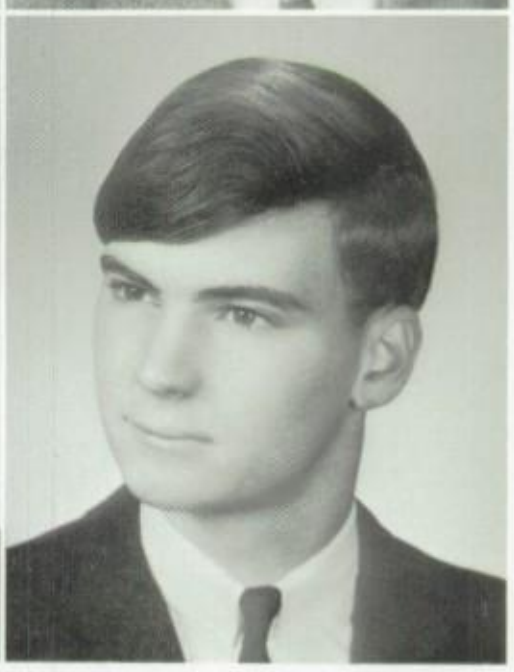

Memories Remain

Anita Carlton
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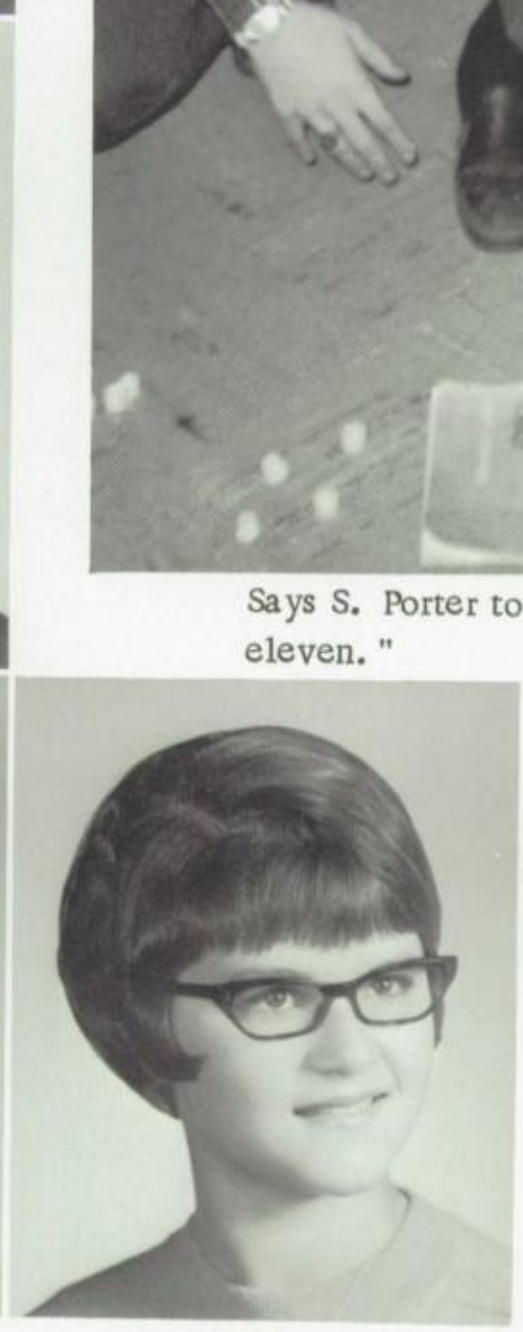
Robert Cools

Bob Carroll
Bill Clough
Pat Cory

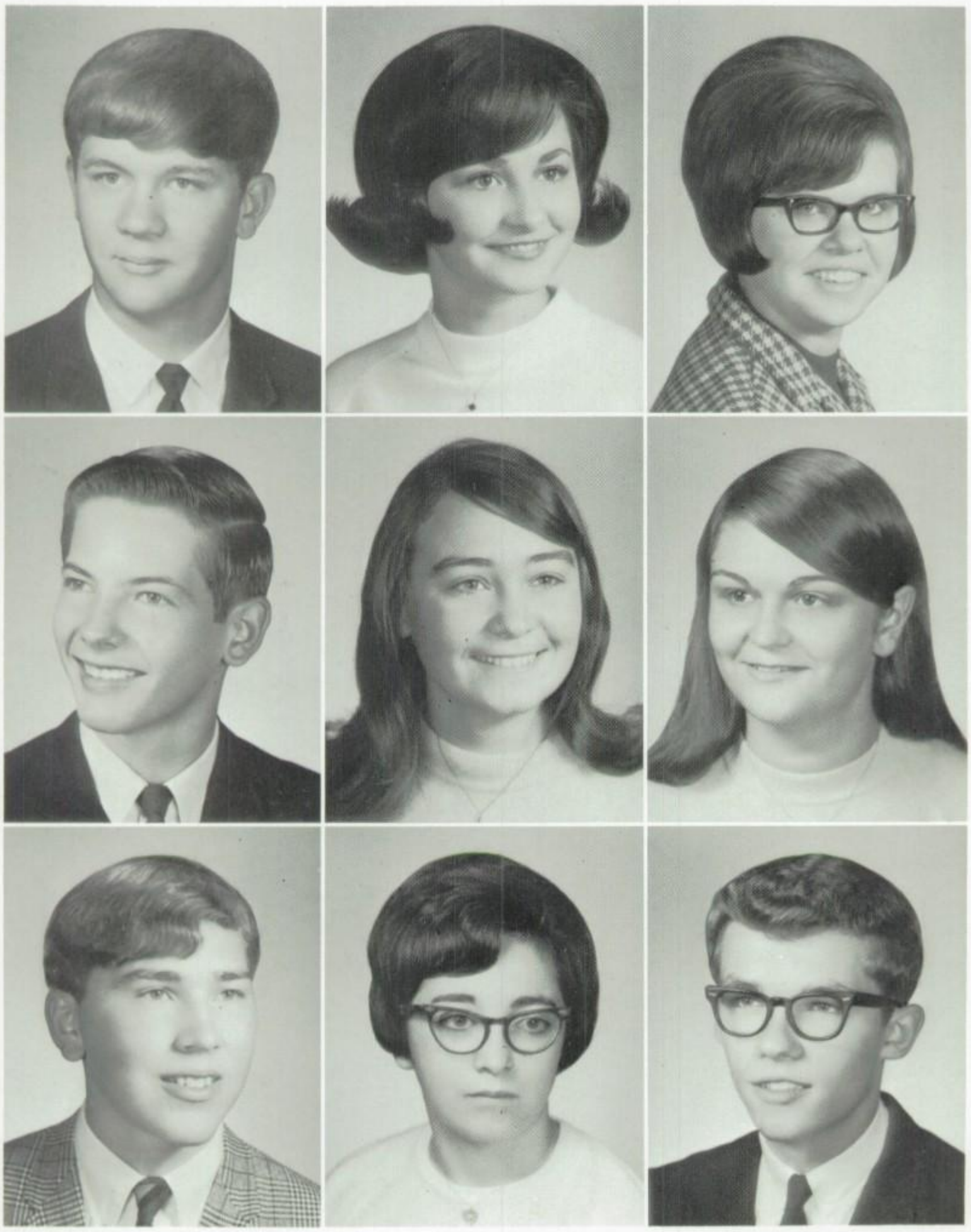
Says S. Porter to H. Estes, "Seven come eleven."



Colleen Crane

As The Year Shortens, The Assignments Lengthen

H. Purser, K. Graf, L. Gonzales, B. Warner,



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Roy DeRousie

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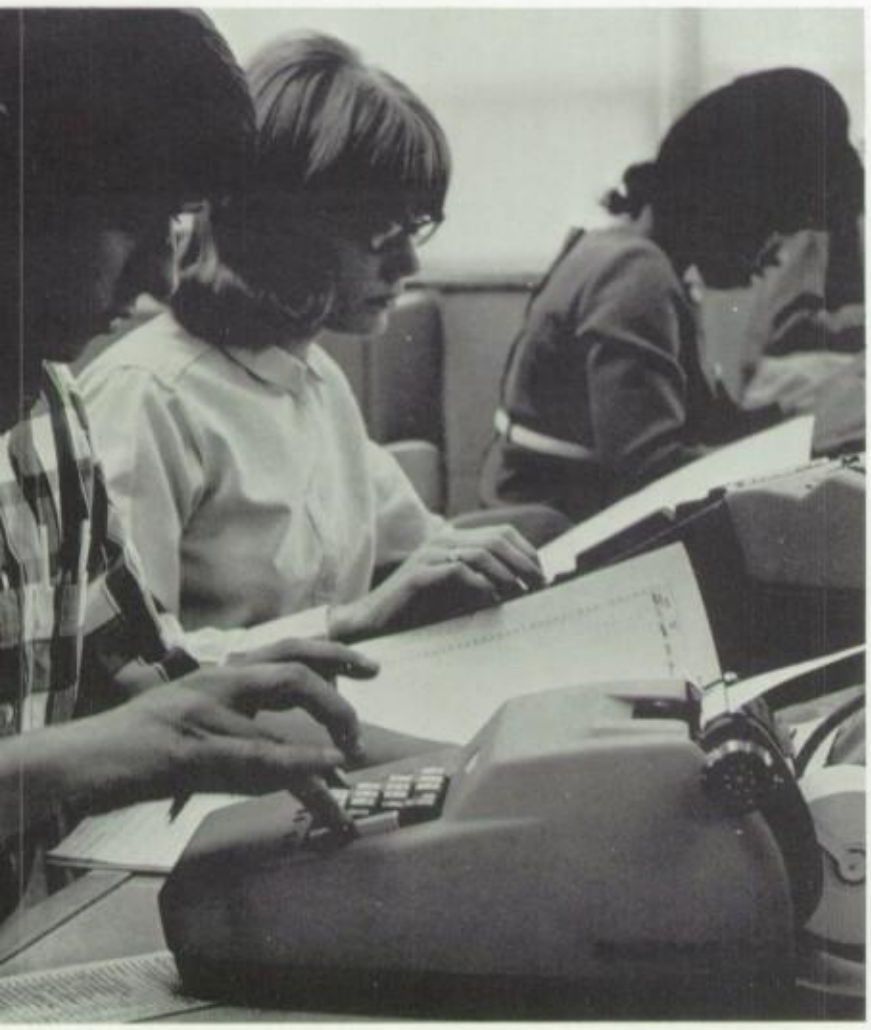
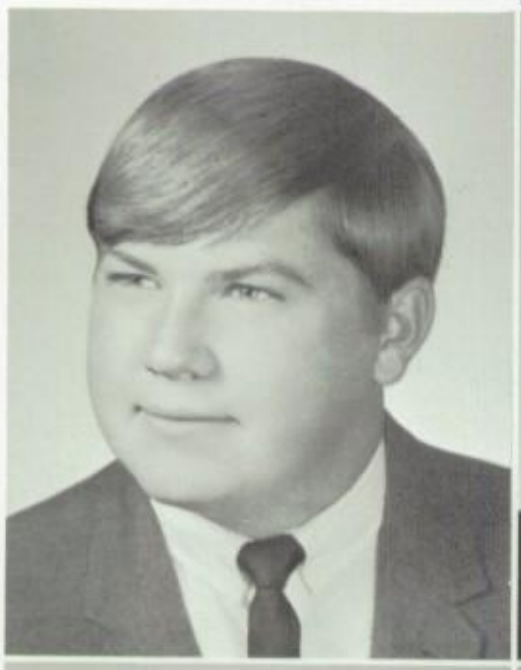
Susie Dickerson

Darlene Deer
Sallie DeNudt
Herb Estes



punch away on
their assignment.



Mike Filipek
Tom Forgacs

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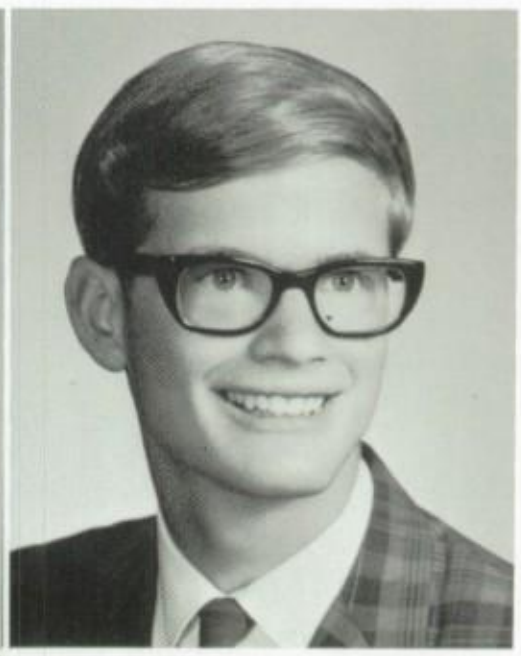
Dave Fritz

Mel Fatchett
Barb Ford
Connie Gautz

Seniors Explore The Many Aspects Of Learning

Elizabeth Gonzales

Melinda Graham



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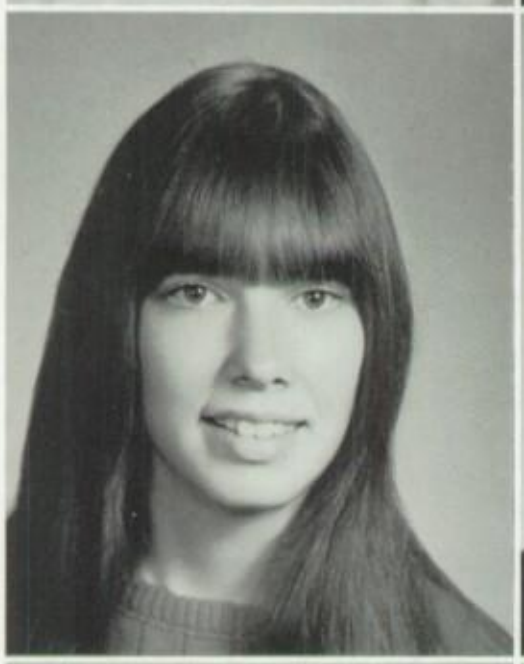


Kristen Graf

Janet Grinage

Wayne Heineman

Tom Graf

English IVa girls decorate back

bulletin board for Christmas.

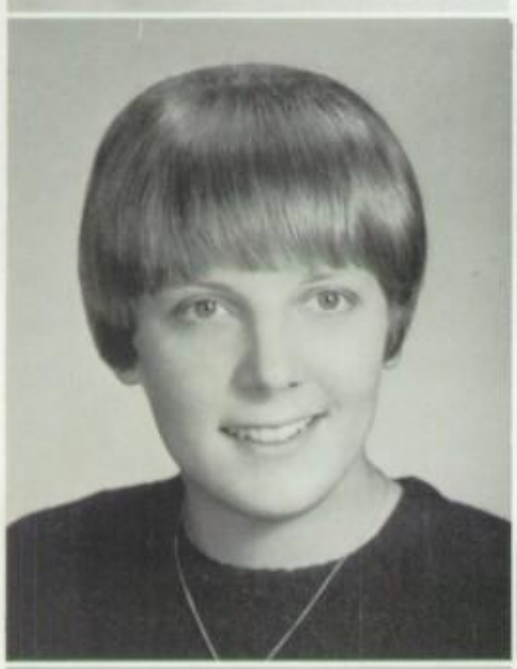
Terry Heiser
Howard Hodges

Linda Hepinstall
Mike Hoffman
Gerald Houttekier

Jane Hermansen
Cal Horvath
Shelley Ishmiel

Senior Pictures — Reflections

Senior pictures arrive.



Joanne Isley
Mary Ellen Jackson
Ed Judson

Kitty Jacob
Suzanne Klauda

Sam Jacobs
Suzanne Klump

Of Bygone Years

Dave Knapp
Brenda Sue Knoblauch
Shirley Kudlac

Brenda Lee Knoblauch
Brenda Kopka
Kris Livesay

Jennifer Loar

P. Flaherty poses for senior pictures.

Working Hard To Obtain Their Goals

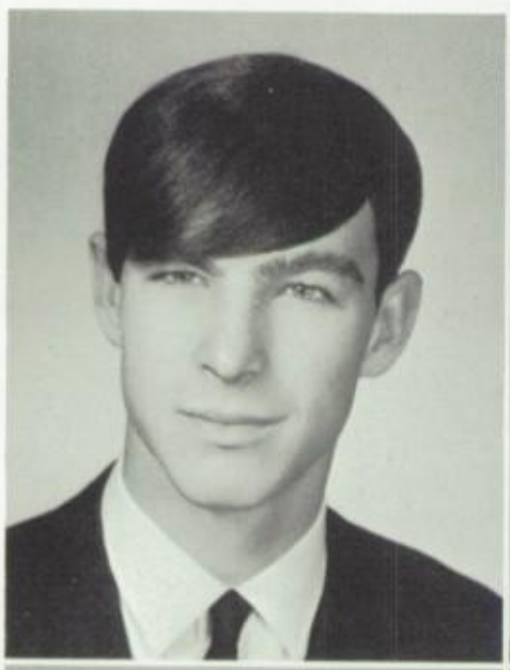
Roger Loar
Pat Love
Deborah Martin

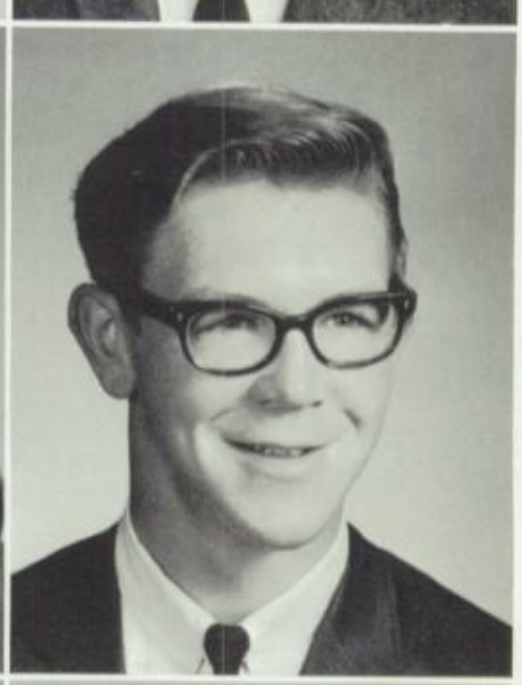
Roberta Lonski
Charles Mallory
Beatrice Martinez

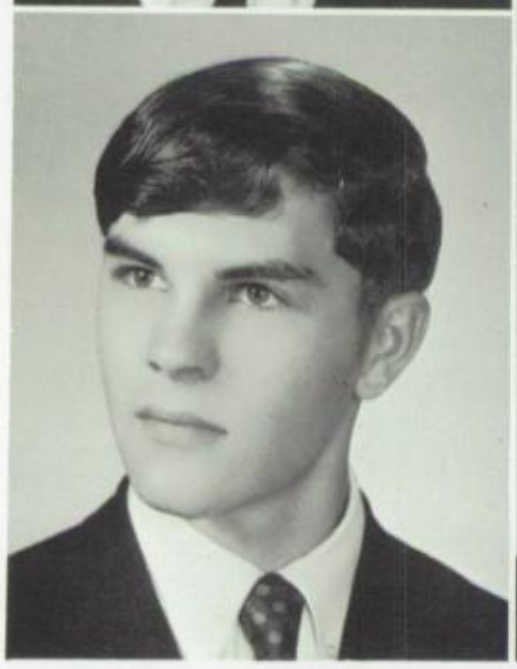
Jennifer Love
Diana Maloney
Jean Mason

B. Buehrer, G. Roe, and V. Sell support the senior class by purchas-

ing refreshments
from K. Jacob
and M. Andrews.





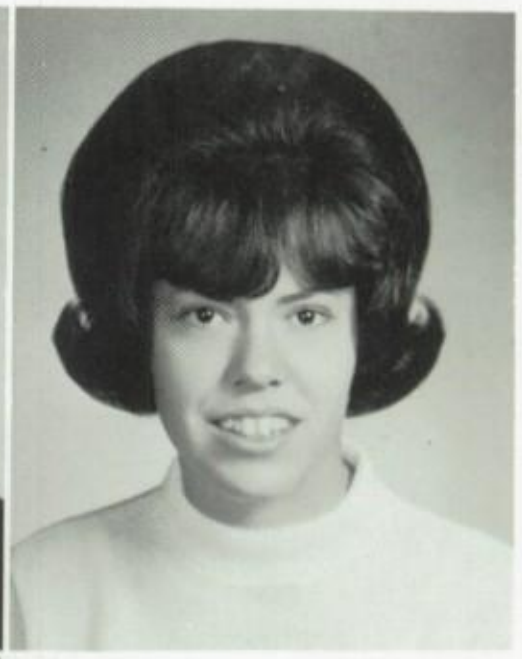


Jim Miller
Doug Mitchell

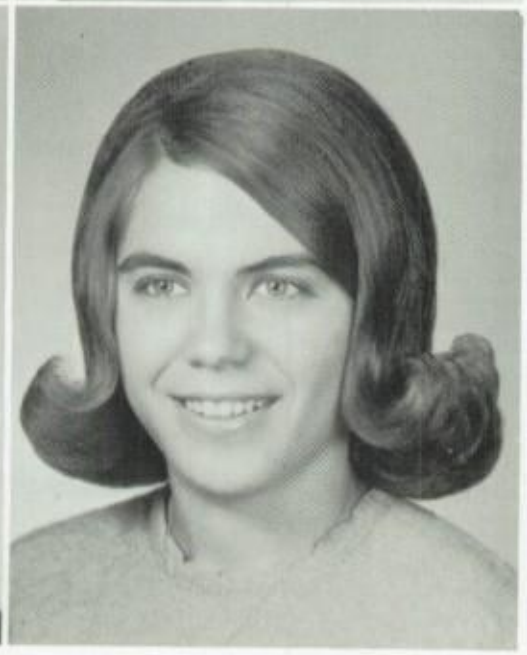
Margie Miller
Susan Mitchell
Don Neuroth

Rudy Mirelez
Chuck Nearhood
Ken Osenko

Seniors End Final With Winning Float



Jackie Pieh



Yvonne Papenhagen
Nancy Pieplow
Bev Piotter

Ed Petee
Bea Piotter
Cathy Pirkle

Seniors work industriously to build winning float.

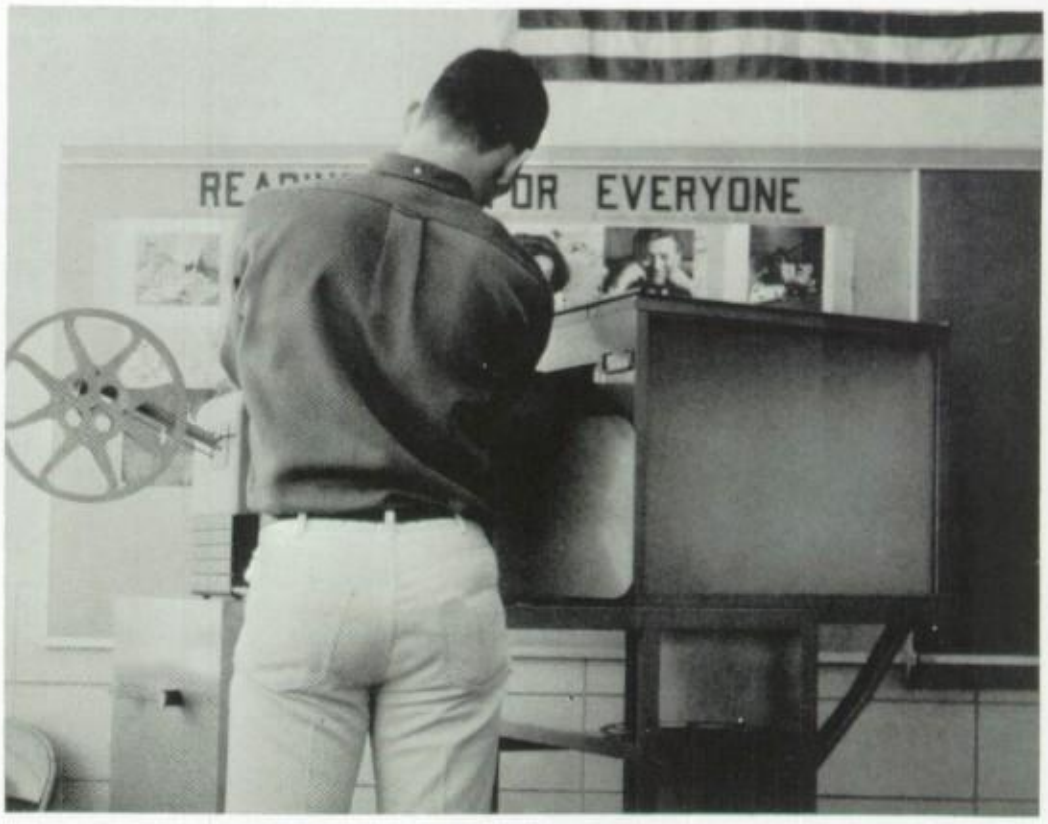
Year

Sandra Pixley
Susan Porter

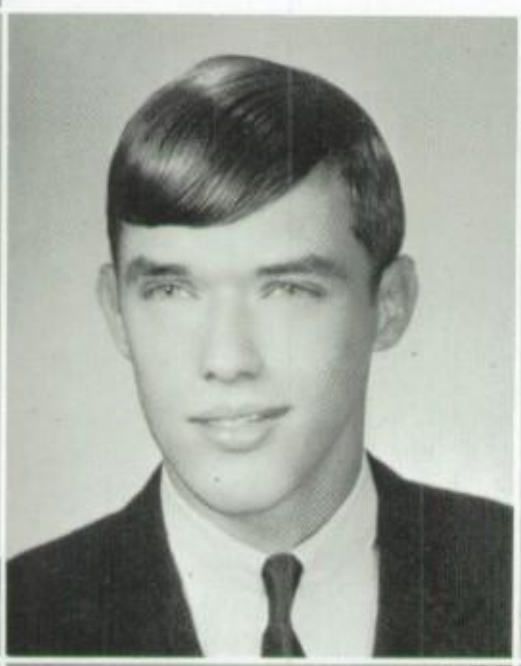
Joyce Porter
Ed Posner
Deborah E. Reed

Steve Porter
Harold Purser
Debbie L. Reed

Production Of Student Leaders



D. Neuroth assists in getting the show on the road.

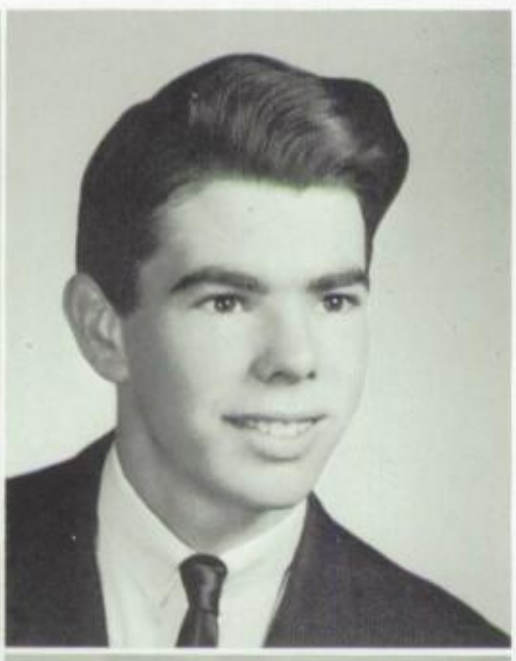


Delores Reed
Sue Reed
Gary Roe

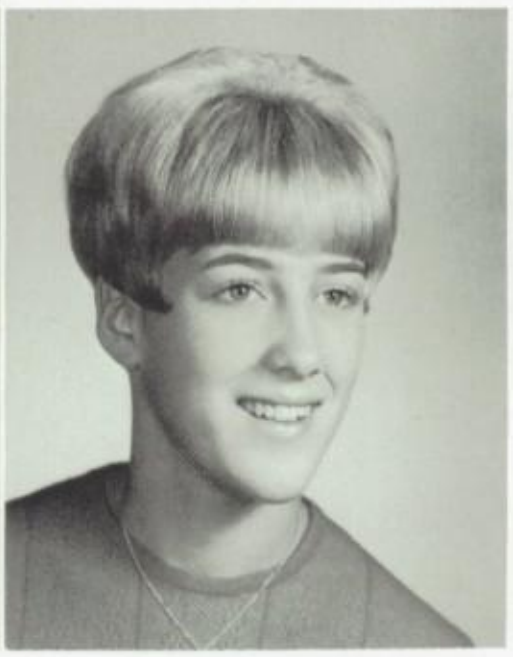
John Rittner
Rose Ruhl

Bob Rodriquez
Deanna Sager

Booming In Senior Class



"TOOT, TOOT! CLANG CLANG! Hit it, Janet, hit it!"



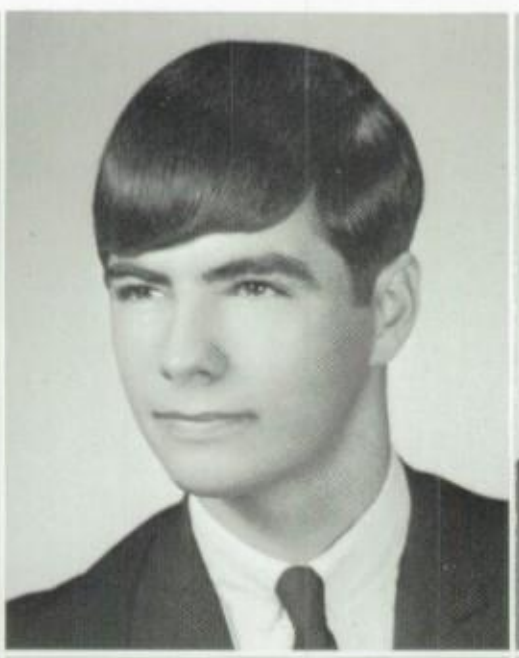
Gregg Sattler
Peggy Saxton
Christy Schwyn

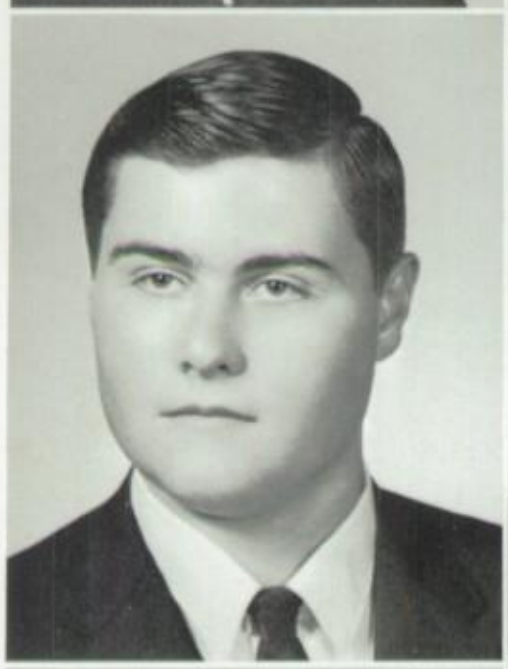
Lyle Sawyer
Cindy Sayler
Diane Seager

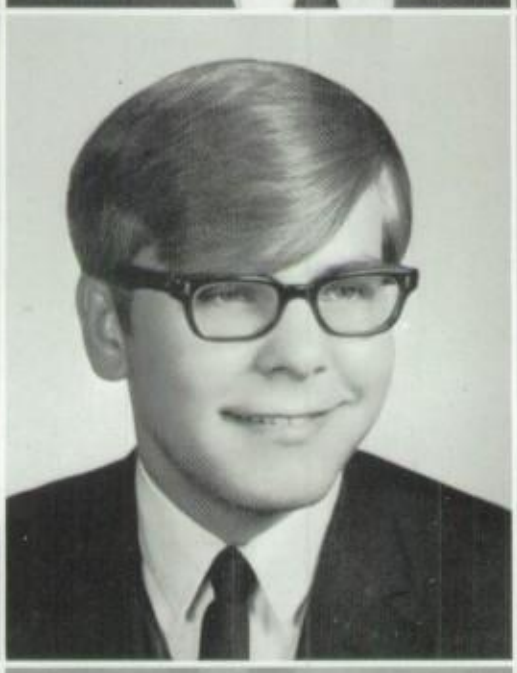
Monica Seeburger

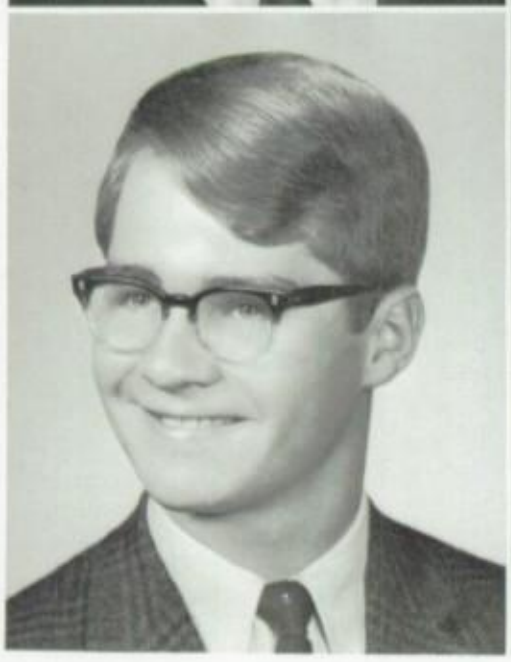
Graduation Is Just Around The Corner

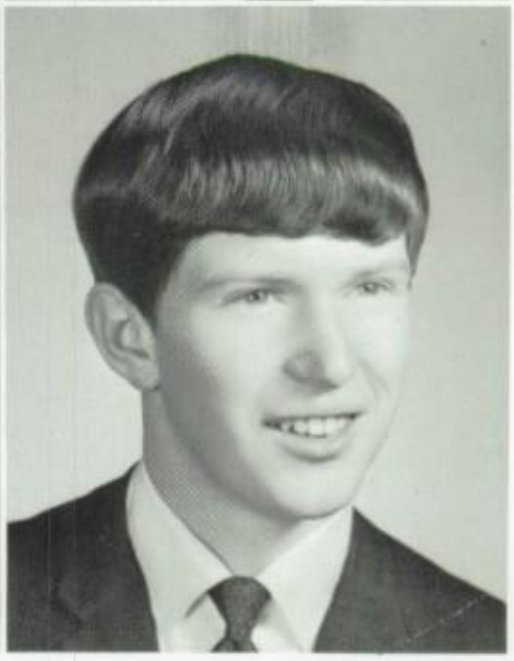
L. Westergard
and C. Burger-
meister order









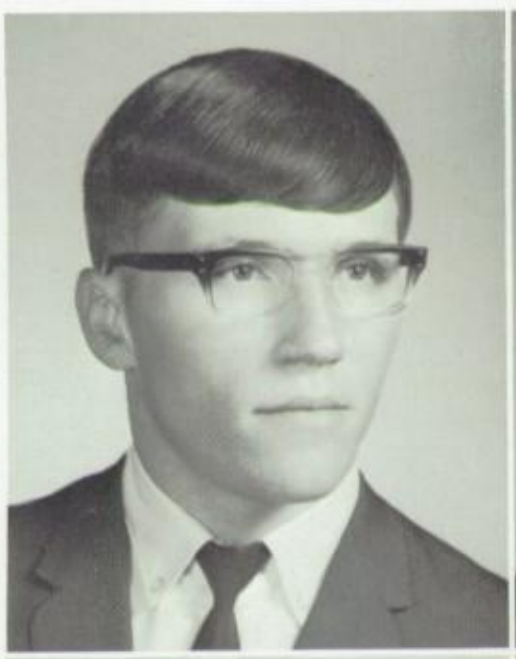


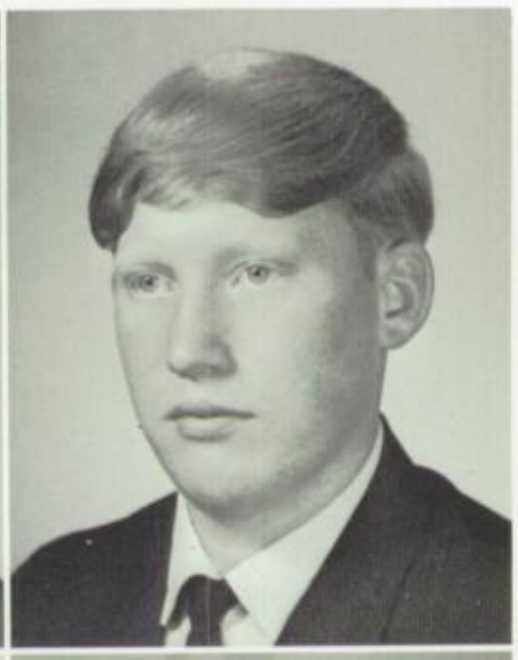
Susie Seegert
Richard Shaffer
Jim Sheldon

Glenn Slicker
Robert Slusarski
Sandra Soff

Mike Spiegal
Keith Sprunk
Loren Staup

graduation announcements.



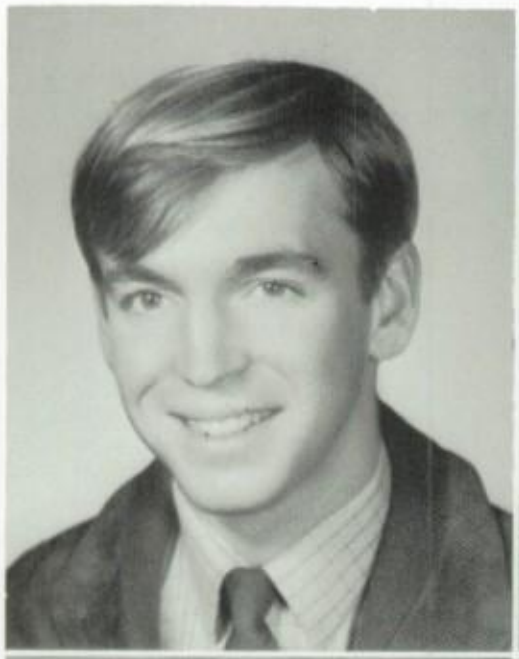


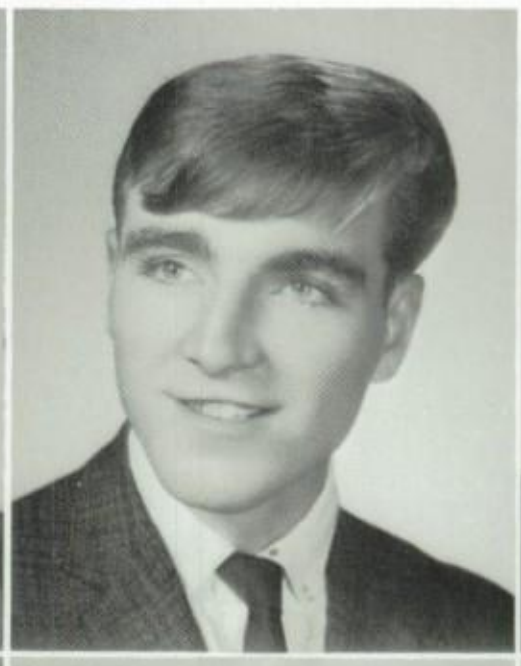
Shirley Stieb
Kim Stringer

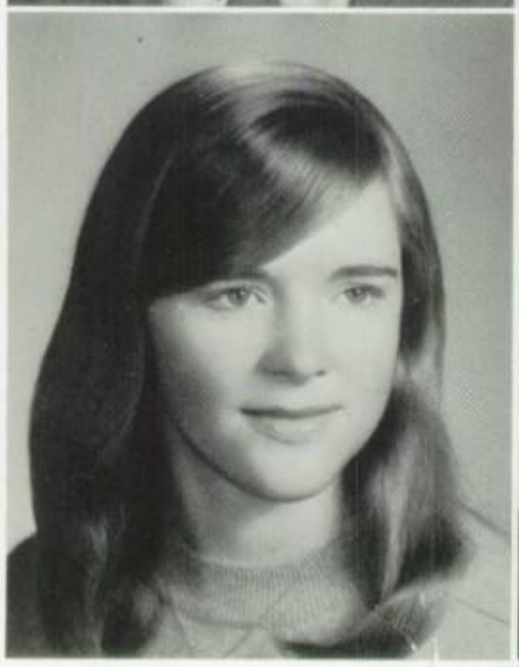
David Vanderlaan
Bob Villegas
Barb Warner

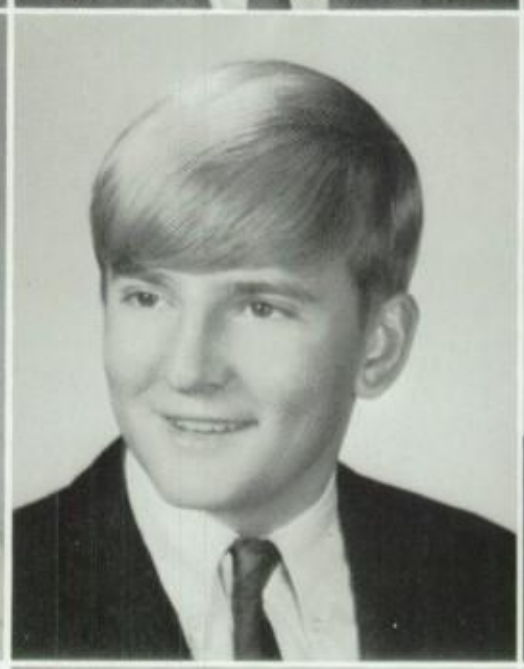
Don Warner
Ellen Waterbury
Bill Weeber

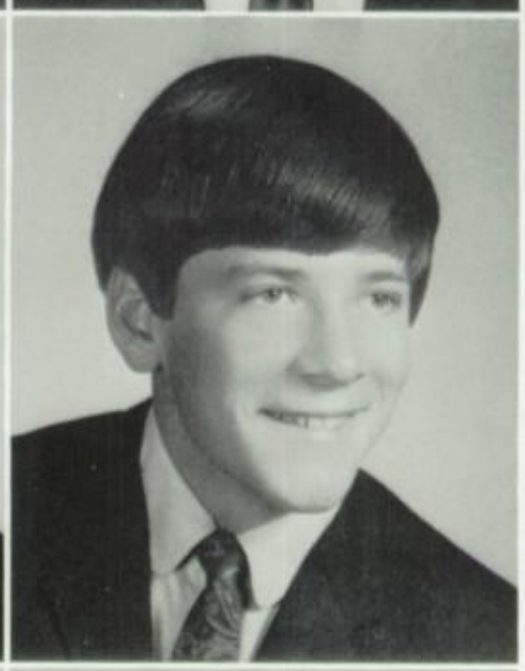
Seniors End The Year With A Bang



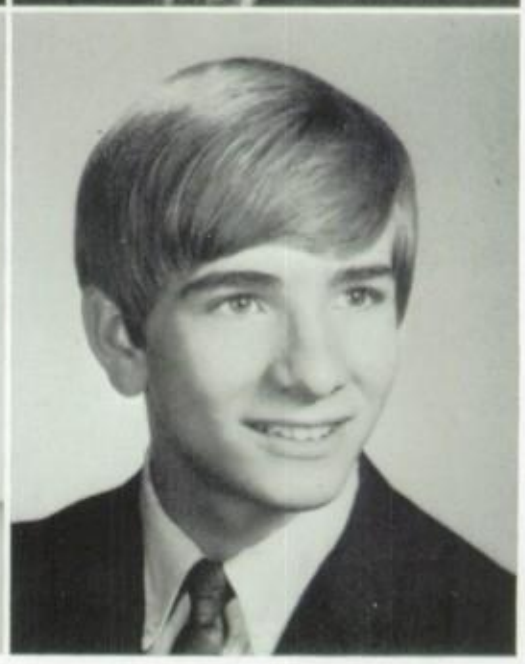








Lars Westergaard
Nancy Woodward



Mike Whitman
Dale Wotring
Nancy Wotring

Charles Woodbury
Glenn Wotring
Richard Young

D. Wotring sleeps away his study hall.

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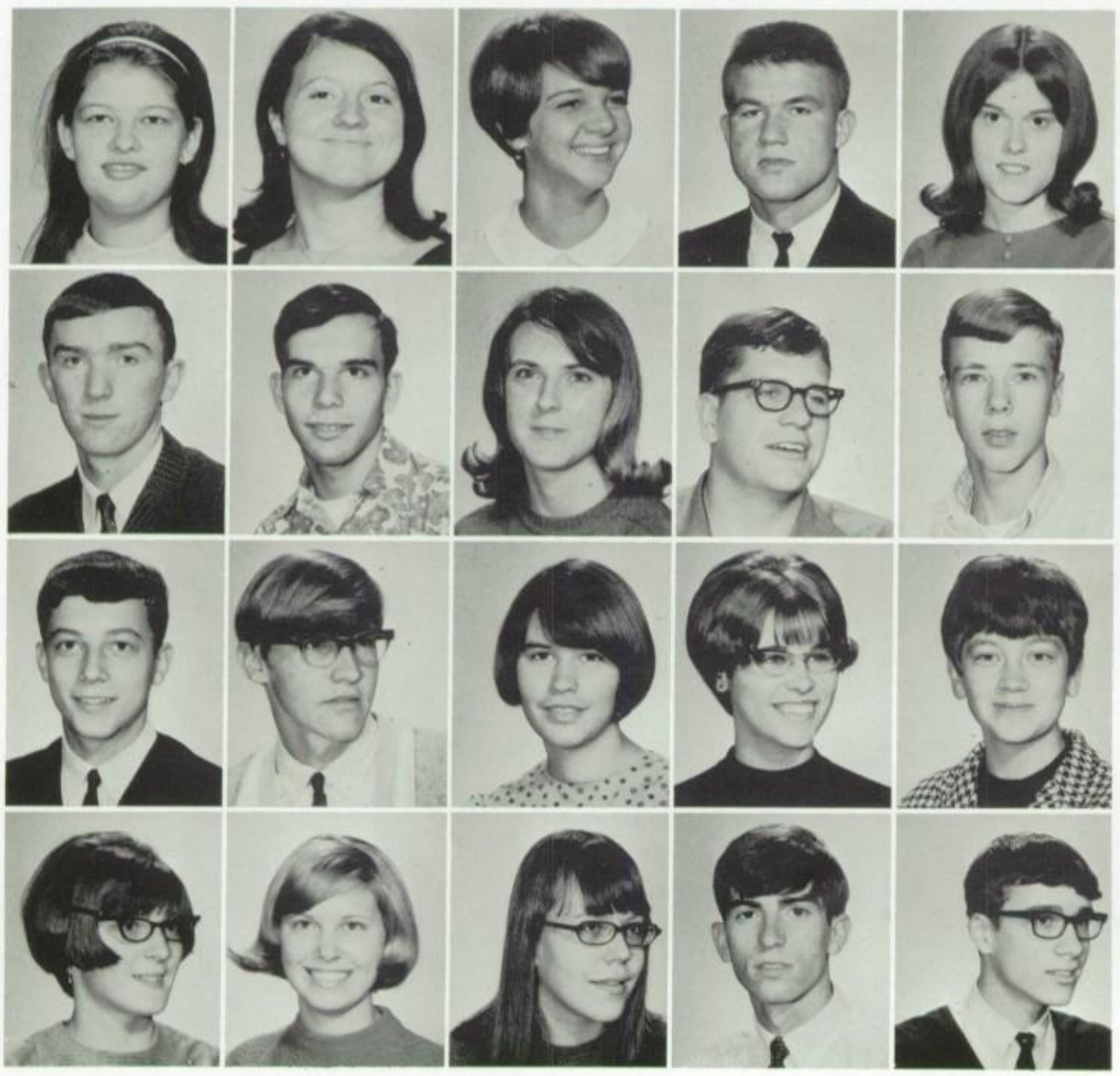
Edd Carrico
Stella Diaz
Carol Luce
Margaret Ollis
Mike Reed
Bill Waigle

Junior class is led by B. James, president; C. Gubbe, secretary; C. Frost, treasurer; and L. Jackson, vice president.

Doors Open For Juniors



Debra Adkins
Marsha Anderson
Pat Anderson
Joe Andrews
Peggy Baker

Doug Bateson
Dale Bauer
Darlene Bennett
Gary Bettis
Brian Betz

Dennis Betz
Harley Betz
Sandy Betz
Debra Black
Monica Bohs

Susan Bragg
Susan Brown
Carolyn Carlton
Bill Carrico
Charles Cartwright

Juniors Work Together

Julie Case
Jack Clement
Steve Colyer
Pat Deer
Virginia DeGroff

Carolyn Dickerson
Jerry Doremus
Harriet Dvorsky
Keith Eisenmann
Jerry Ferow

Larry Ferow
Charles Fetzer
Jerry Findley
Russell Fink
Kathy Flanagan

Marty Flores
Bob Ford
Charles Ford
Connie Frost
Don Frost

Kathy Furgason
Mary Garcia
Tina Garivay
Dwight Gentz
Letah Gilson

David Goetz
Marilyn Griewahn
Carol Gubbe
Leonard Gust
Warren Hagenbuch

For More Pep

As L. Loar eats an apple, the float work goes on.

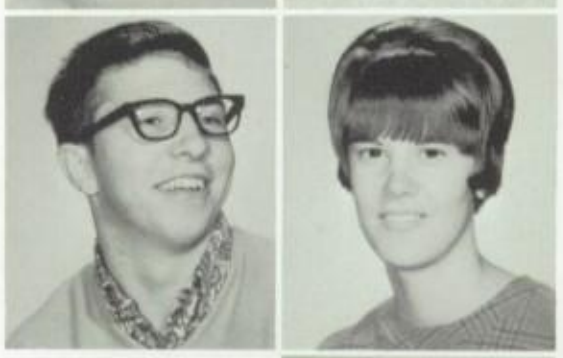
Susie Hamilton

Jerrie Sue Handy
John Harmes

Bev Harrwaldt
Mark Heineman

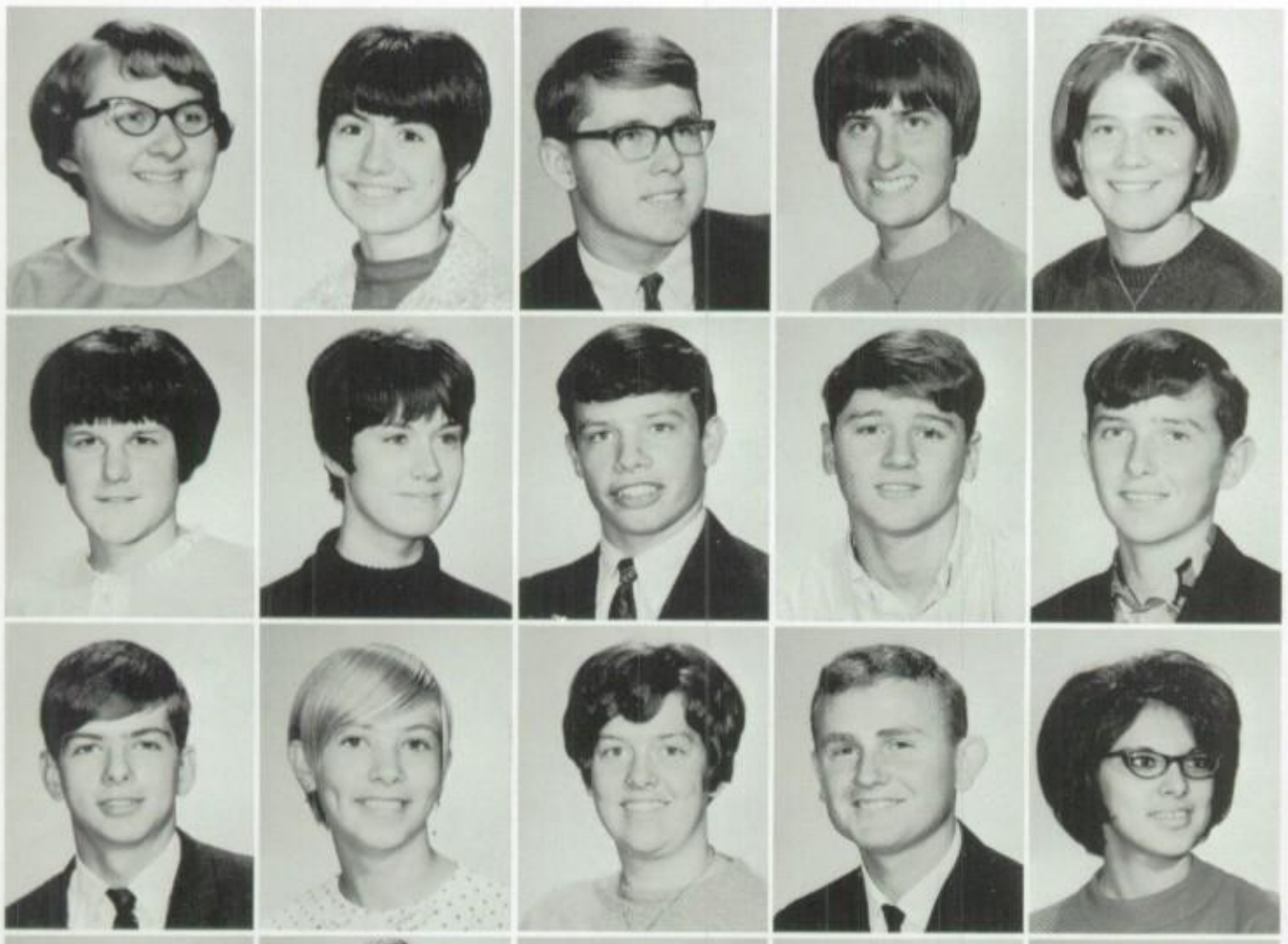
Karen Hillman
Marsha Holtz

John Jackson
Linda Jackson



Brian James

New Experiences Await



Carolyn Johnson
Chris Jones
Alan Kastel
Jill Kerentoff
Vicki Klump

Kris Knisel
Joanne Knoblauch
Tom Labert
Duane Lamley
Richard Lindsey

David Loar
Linda Loar
Janet Mallory
Jerry Marks
Alice Martinez

Diane Matuscak
Bonnie McHenry
Penny Mead
Susan Merilatt
Curt Miller

Dorothy Miller
Marsha Miller
Ray Mirelez
Anne Mraz
Janet Muck

Bob Neyrinck
John Novak
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Juletta Onofrio
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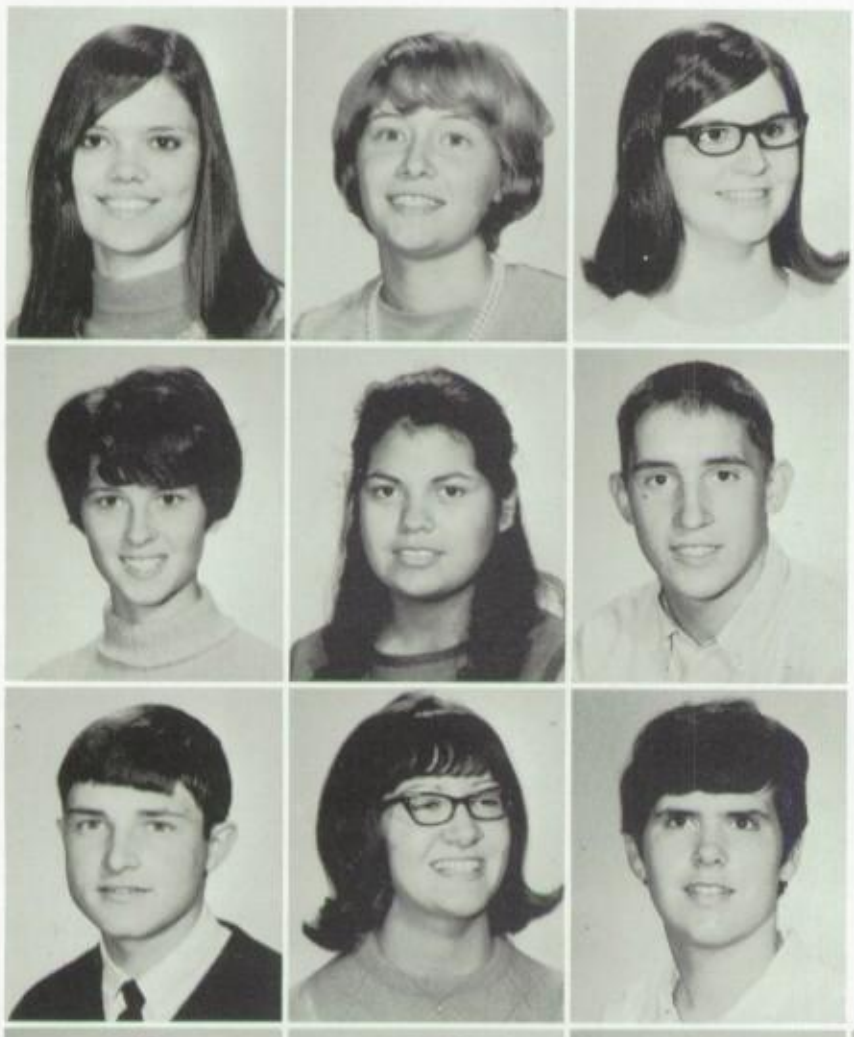
Bill Piotter
Donna Poling
Janice Porter
Barb Prielipp

Class Of "69"

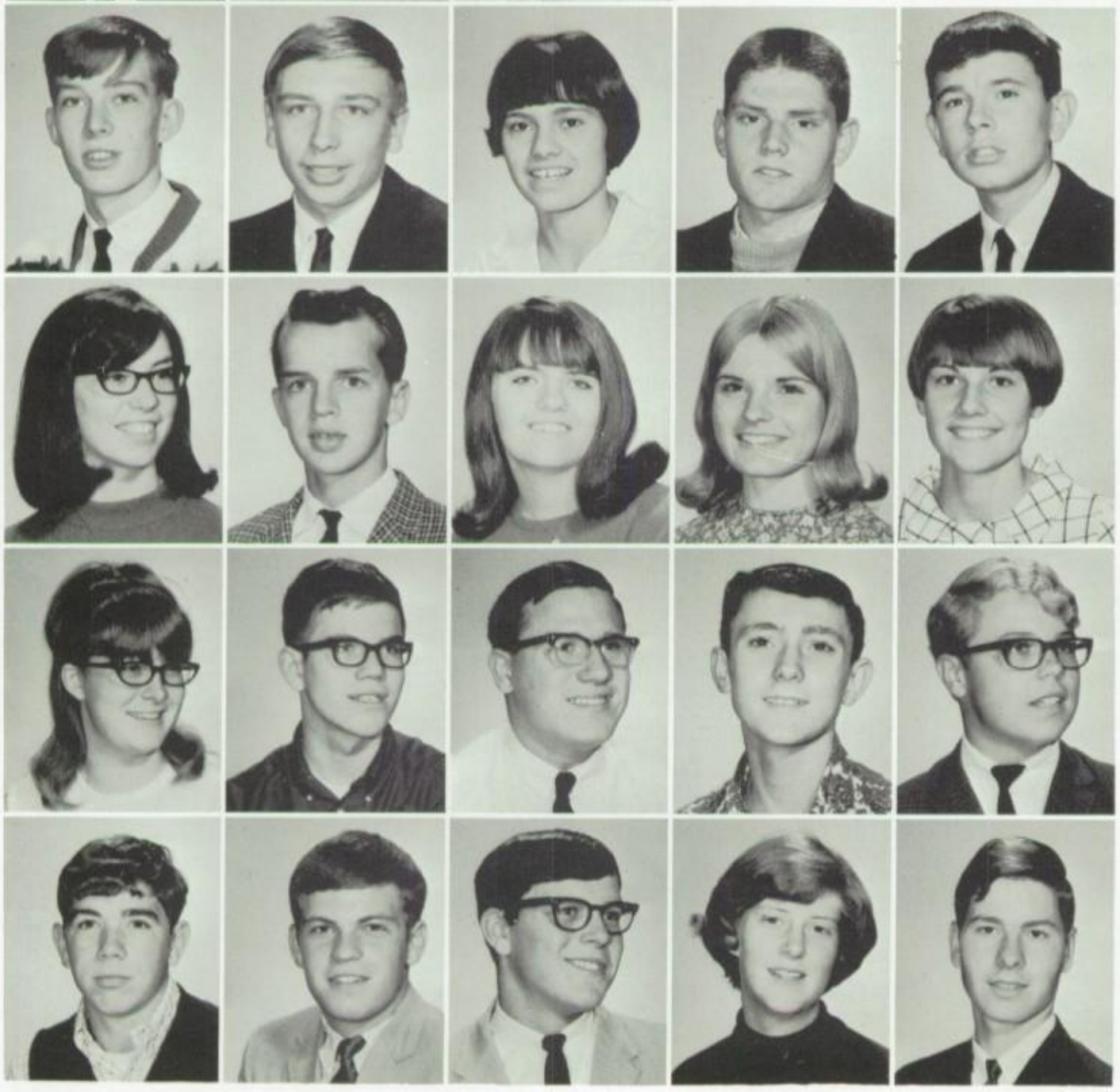


Kay Purser
Susan Retter
Sue Ricker

Sue Robison
Olivia Rodriquez
Bill Sauter

Larry Sayler
Laurie Sayler
Sandra Scheurer

D. Thompson, C. Cartwright, and E. Wolf prepare for English research papers.



Roger Sebring
Gary Sedlacek
Sandra Seeburger
Steve Seeburger
Vernon Sell

Debbie Semple
Gary Shipman
Pam Shorthouse
Connie Sinclair
Barbara Slaybaugh

Sandy Smith
Pat Spangler
Garry Staup
Robert Stoddard
Jim Stutzman

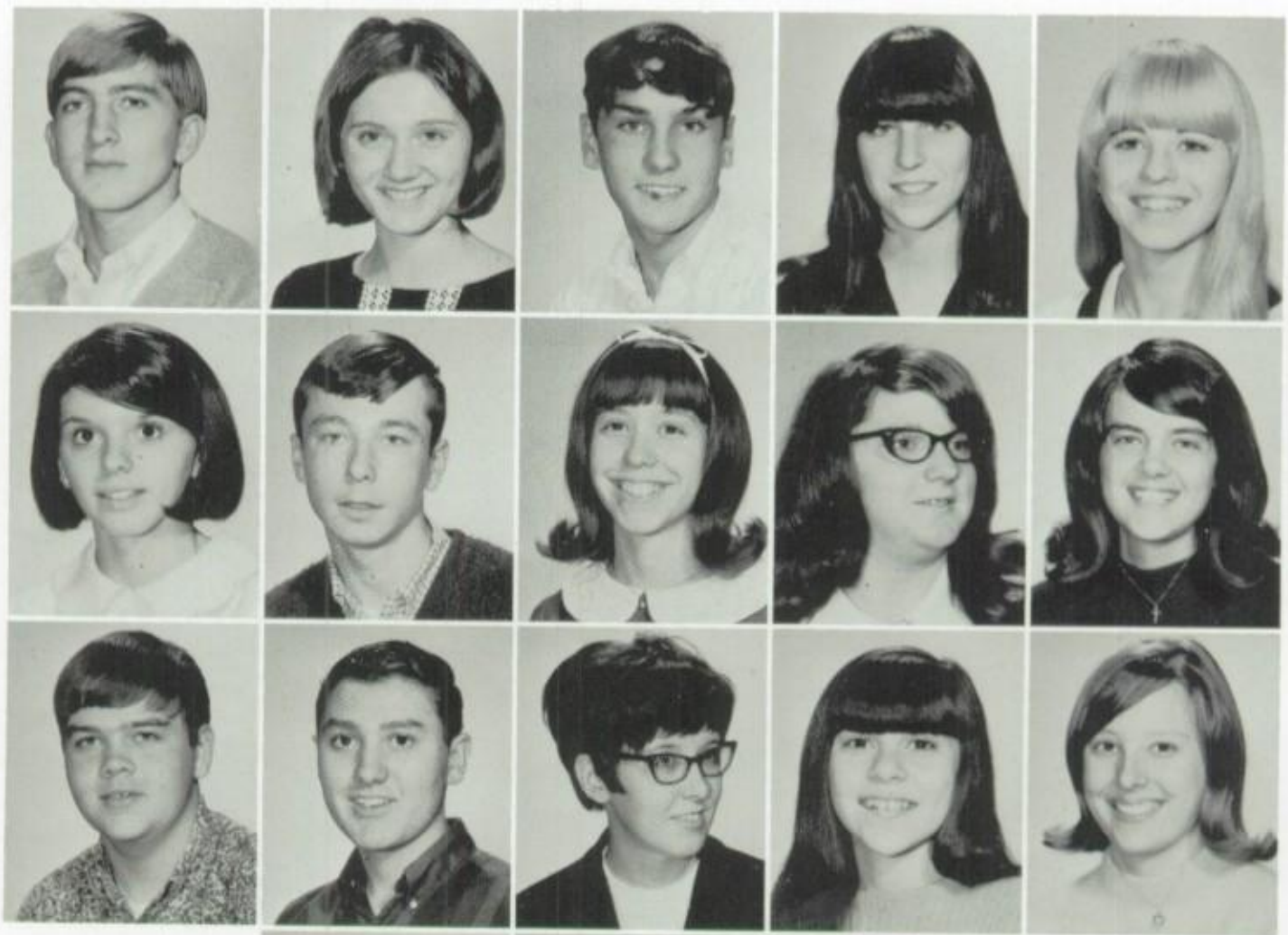
Vernon Terry
Alan Thompson
Dennis Thompson
Janet Thompson
Robert Tonneberger

A Year To Go Until Graduation

Jeff Tormoehlem
Jilleen Valentine
David VanCoppenolle
Barb VanNieuwenhze
Sherry Wagner

Vickie Walker
John Wall
Christine Warner
Bess Warren
Linda Wegner

Jack Welsh
Mark Wilkes
Sandy Williams
Chris Wilson
Mary Wilson



Ellen Wolf
Betty Woodbury
Janie Ybarra
Gary Zink

K. Furgason, L. Wagner, D. Semple work hard in Junior concession.

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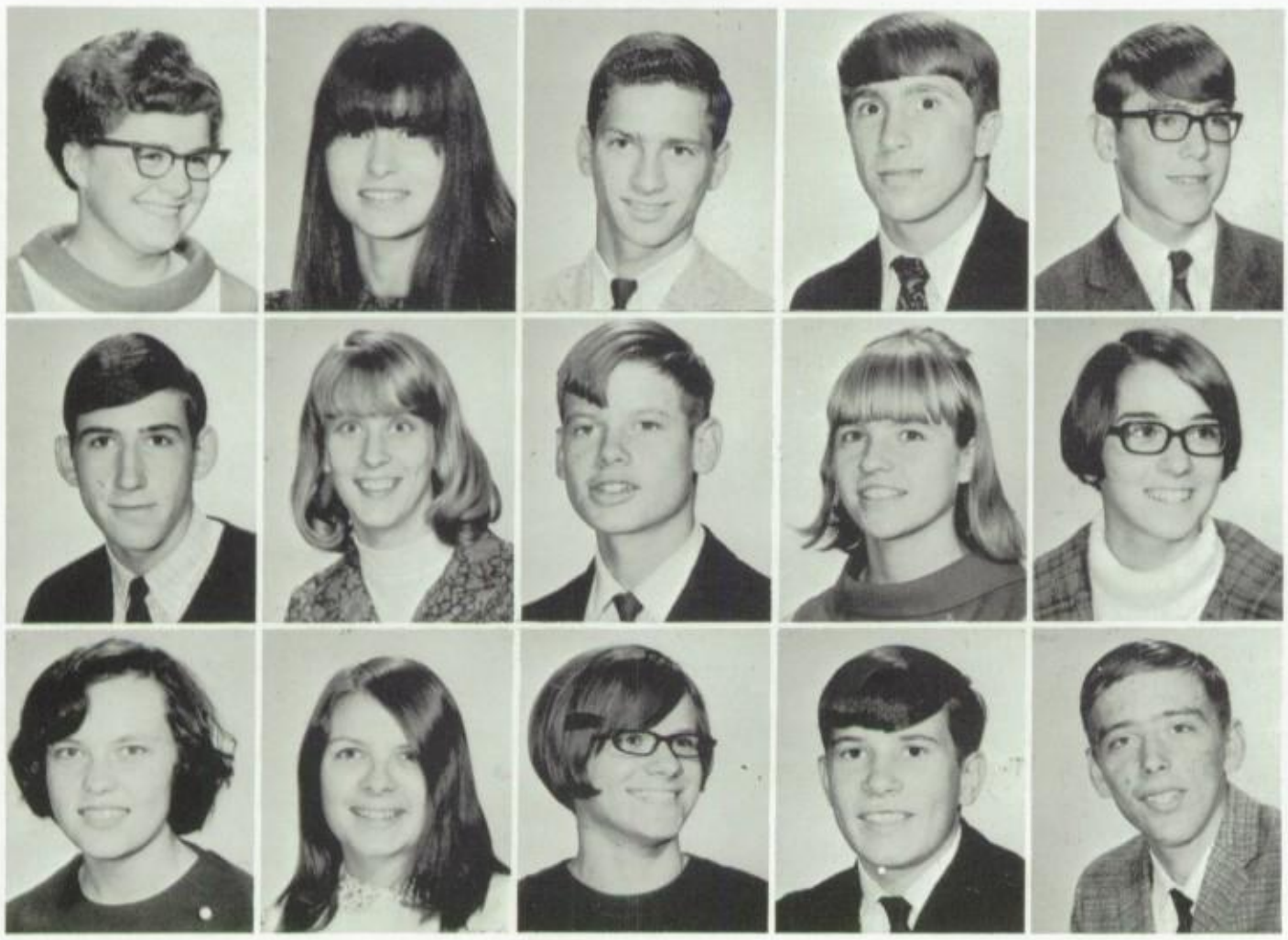
Don Dishong
Joan Houttekier
Keith Kaser
Randy Lippens
Pat Robertson
Paul Russell
Sue Setzer
Joe Strong
Garold Welsh
Gale Younglove

Sophomores Focus On Future

Leading roles in the Sophomore class are held by S. Rathbun, vice president; K. Pagel, secretary; K. Cranor, president; B. Herman, treasurer.



Connie Aten
Idris Baker
Stanley Berger
Fred Bilkey
Pat Boylan

Larry Brenke
Patty Brockway
James Buechele
Janice Buechele
Patti Buehrer

June Case
Carol Casey
Deborah Cheney
Kenny Clark
David Claytor

Pat Clement
Chuck Cory
Dan Cory
Kyle Cranor
Vivian Creech

Bob Crist
Pauline Currier
Edward Deer
Charlotte Demey
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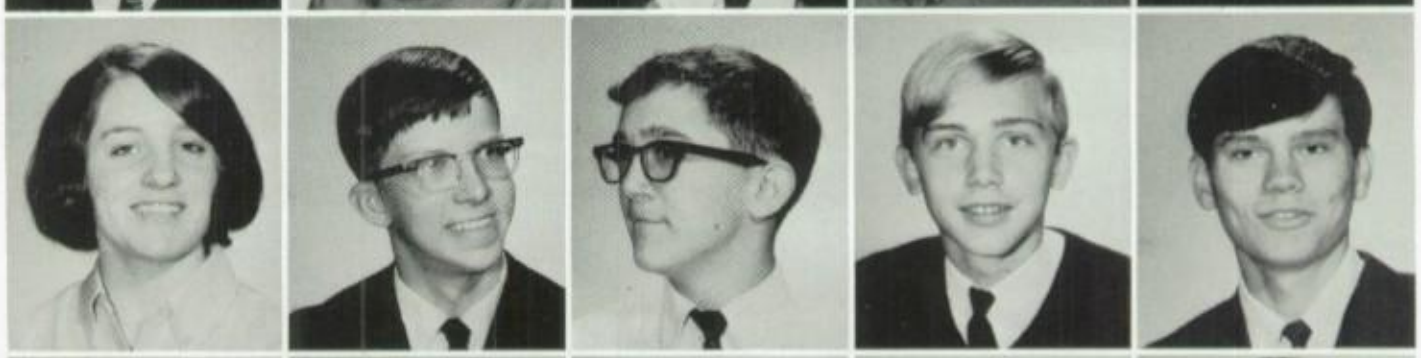
Pat Dickerson
Tim Doerfler
Randy Doremus
Jerry Dressler
Richard Dubois



Keith Dunbar
Jane Eisenmann
Jim Estes
Carl Faz
Sam Faz

Rhonda Feeney
Janeen Felver
Rose Ferow
Cal Fetzer
Richard Fetzer

Pat Filipek
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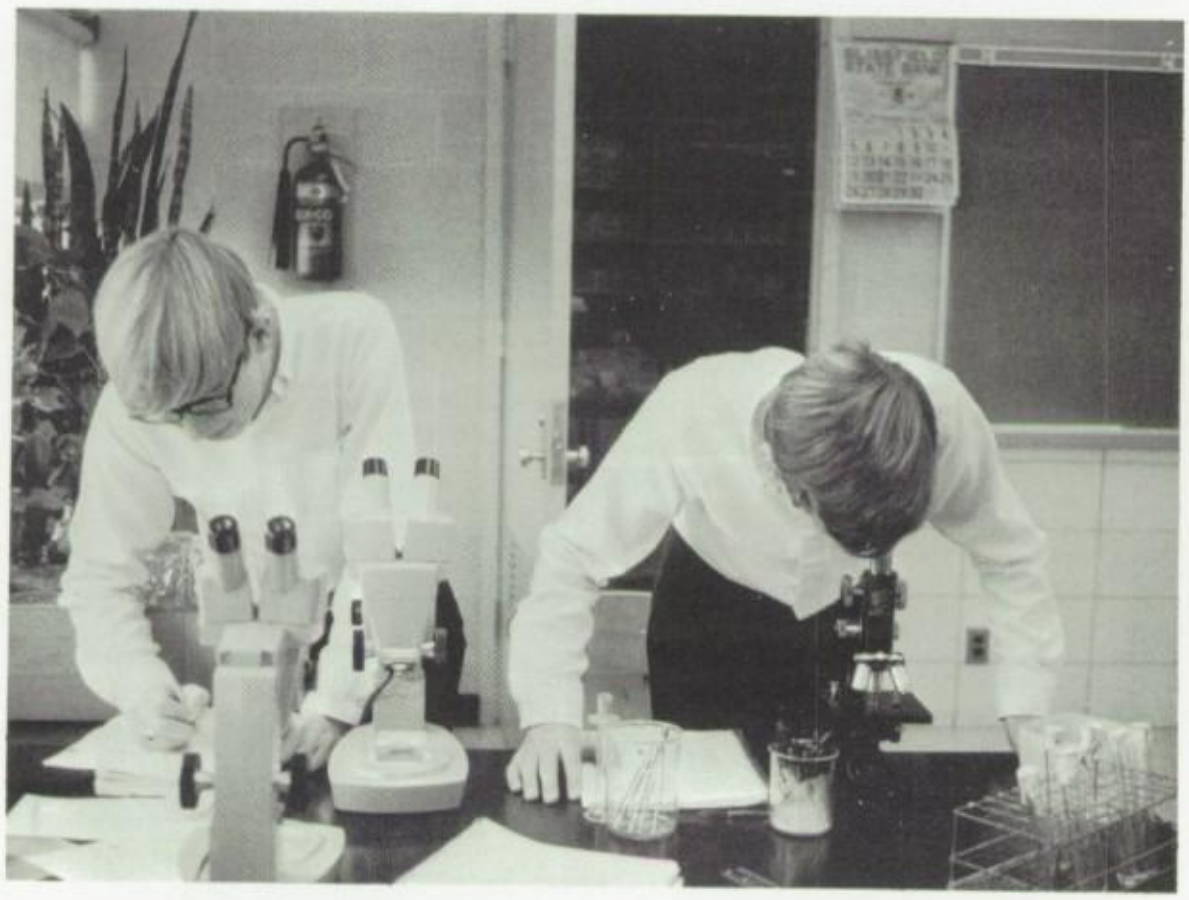
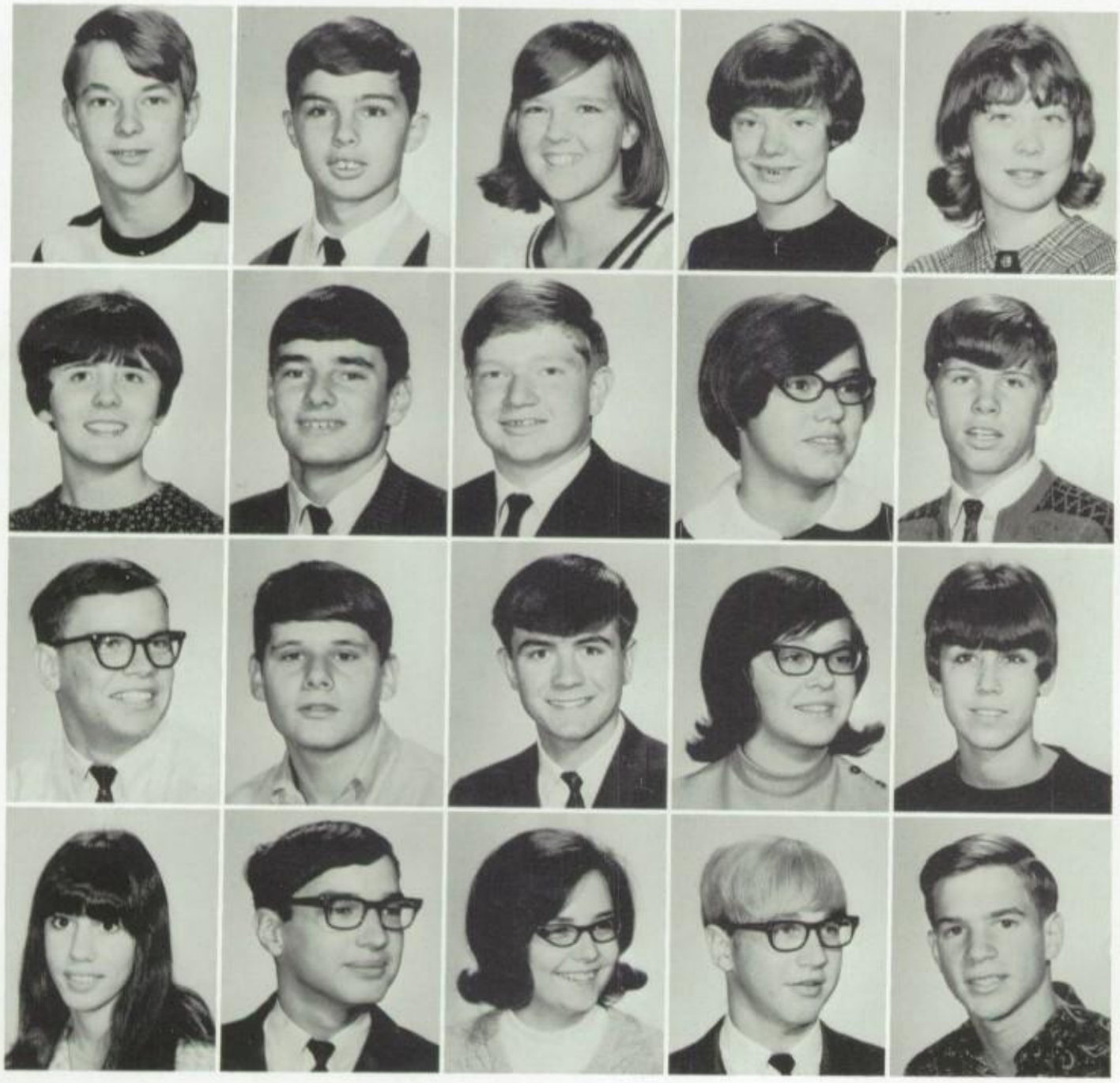
Classes Become More Challenging



The scene takes place in the biology room. The characters are T. Horky and B. Crist.



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Sophomore Year Reflects Happy Memories

James Karl
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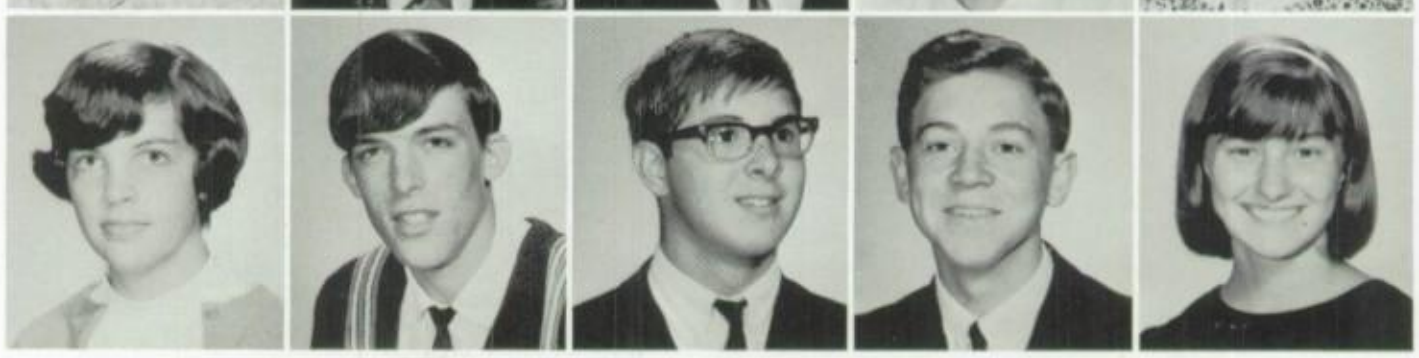

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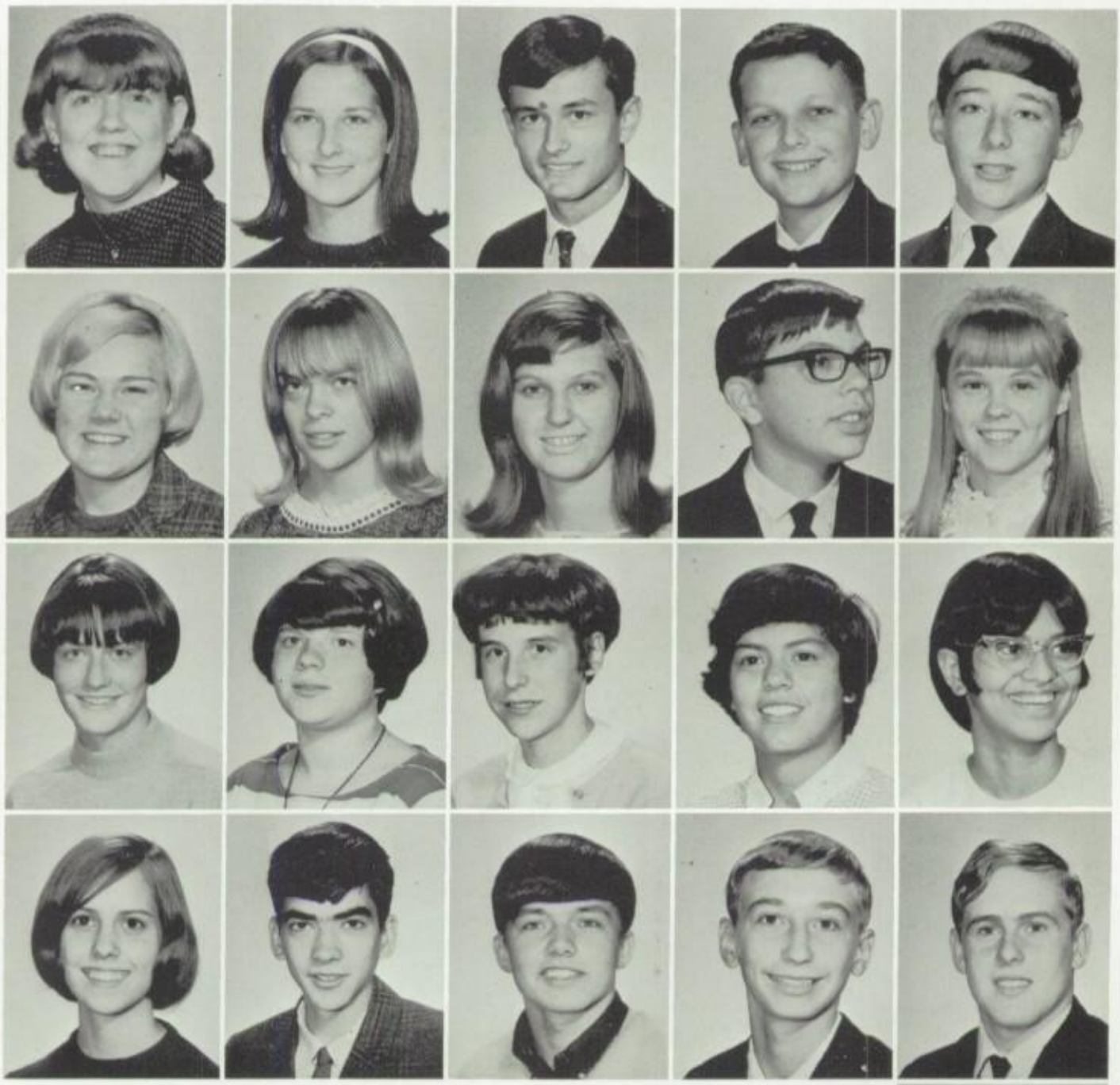

Barbara Shipman

R. Doremus, J. Eisenmann, P. Clement, S. Porter, C. McCarty, and P. Brockway help produce the sophomore float.

Sophomores Anticipate Class Rings

Karen Shoemaker
Ben Sliker
Debra Smith
Janice Soff
Kay Sower

Robert Sprunk
Dave Steffen
Nanette Steiner
Cherrie Stock
Joe Stock

Richard Stutzman
Dean Taylor
Roxann Tipton
Jody Tormoehlen
Janelle Tuckerman

Nancy VanNieuwenhze
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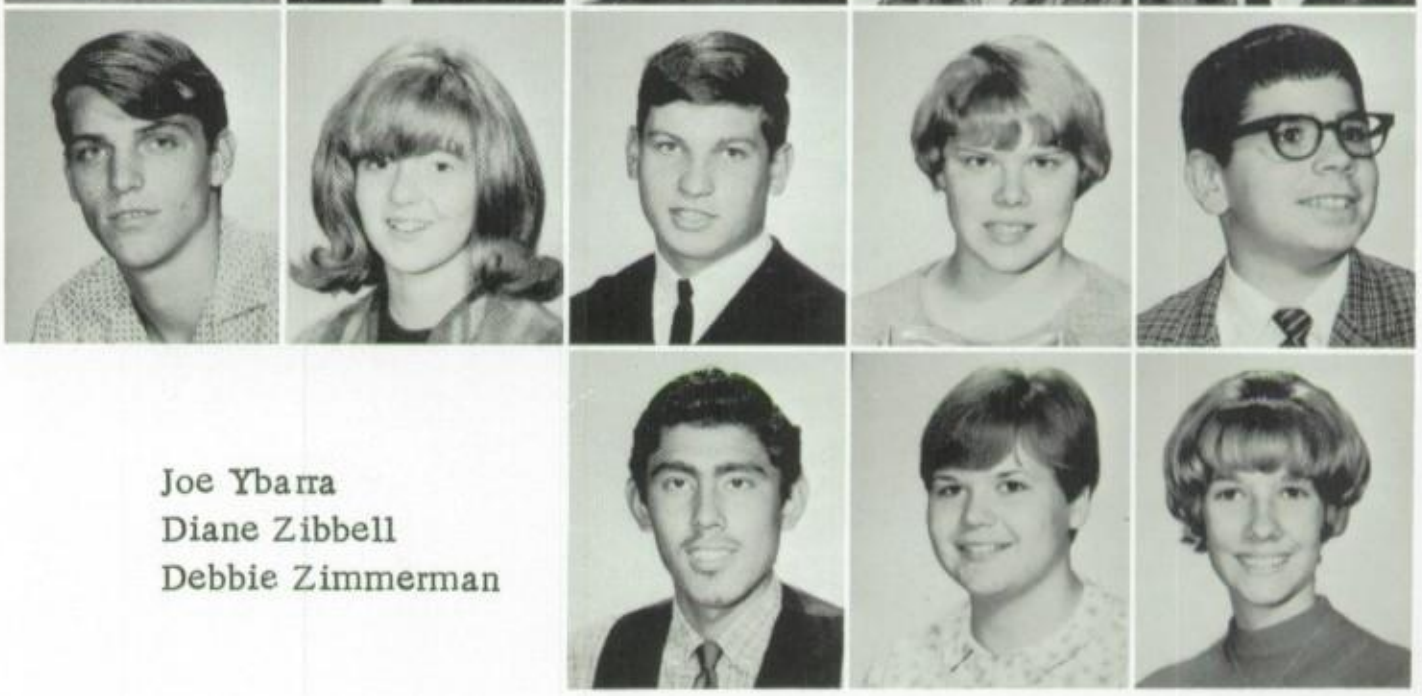

Joe Ybarra
Diane Zibbell
Debbie Zimmerman

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David Scarberry
Dennis Schaffer
Brenda Wittscheck
Margaret Woods

Freshmen Adjust To New Pace

Sharon Alcock
Dena Baker

Joe Beal
Deborah Beard

Sam Bell
Mary Jo Benner

The freshman class is directed by J. Boylan, president; D. Lamley, vice president; J. Thompson, treasurer; P. Hueter, secretary.

Jacalyn Betz
Lynda Bierman
Lorraine Bowman
Joanne Boylan

Pam Brockway
Janet Brown
Michael Bruce
Nancy Brugger
Catherine Buehrer

Mark Burgermeister
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Learning Is No New Expe

John Chandler
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David Cheney

Barbara Clark
Cynthia Coffelt
Mark Crane

Gary Crist
Felix Cruz
April Deer

Frank DeGroff
Irene Demusky
Michael DeNudt

Mr. Tuttle explains algebra to wondering freshmen F. Pagel

Marvin Diver
Vickey Ebright
Jeremy Ellison
Gloria Faz
Charles Fick

Terry Filter
Jeff Findley
Roland Fischer
Margaret Flaherty
Colleen Flanagan

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Michael Frederick
Kay Frost
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Debra Gehring

rience, Even For Freshmen

and D. Iffland.

Dale Gentz
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Jennifer Graham

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Roger Herman

Darlene Holt
Susan Holubik
Sharon Horoszewski
Pam Hueter

Brenda Hyder
Deatra Iffland
Mary Ellen Juarez
Robert Kendall

Freshmen Join Float Competition

John Kerns
Michael Koester
Denis Lamley
Diane LaSotta
Sue Lievens

Donald Loar
Harold Loar
Wayne Loar
Lane Lolley
Monica McCarty

Melanie McDowell
Teresa Martinez
Randy Mason
Mary Miller
Roger Mitchell

Dayna Moore
Patsy Navarro
Bob Neuman
Dennis Neuman
Carol Neuroth

Kristine Neuroth
Janice Ollis
Gary Ostrander
Fred Pagel
Connie Pangburn

Class advisor Mr. Evans gives prom pointers to M. Flaherty.

Olivia Pena

Gary Phillips

Everyone takes part in the float construction.

Doug Piotter
Bill Pirkl

Yvonne Pixley
Ron Posner

Deanna Porter
Randy Prisby
Randy Purser
Debbie Raymond
Tom Reed

Art Rodesiler
Kathy Rodesiler
Harry Rodgers
Armando Rodriquez
Idolina Rodriquez

Ricardo Rodriquez
Ramon Rosas
Paula Saxton
Marcia Sayler
Barbara Schmelzer

Brenda Seeburger
Mark Seeburger
Susan Semple
Connie Sheldon
John Singler

Shirley Snyder
Robert Somes
Mark Staup
Mary Kay Staup
Dorothy Stieb

Confusion Reigns At Class Meetings

Dale Terry

Jim Thompson
Roger Thompson

Albert Tifft
Robin Tifft

Great decisions are made at class meetings.

Karen Tuckerman
Karen Vanderlaan
Christine Venema
Tim Viers

Ralph Villegas
Shirlee Wagner
John Waterbury
Judy Wilcznski

Candace Winzeler
Vickie Woodbury
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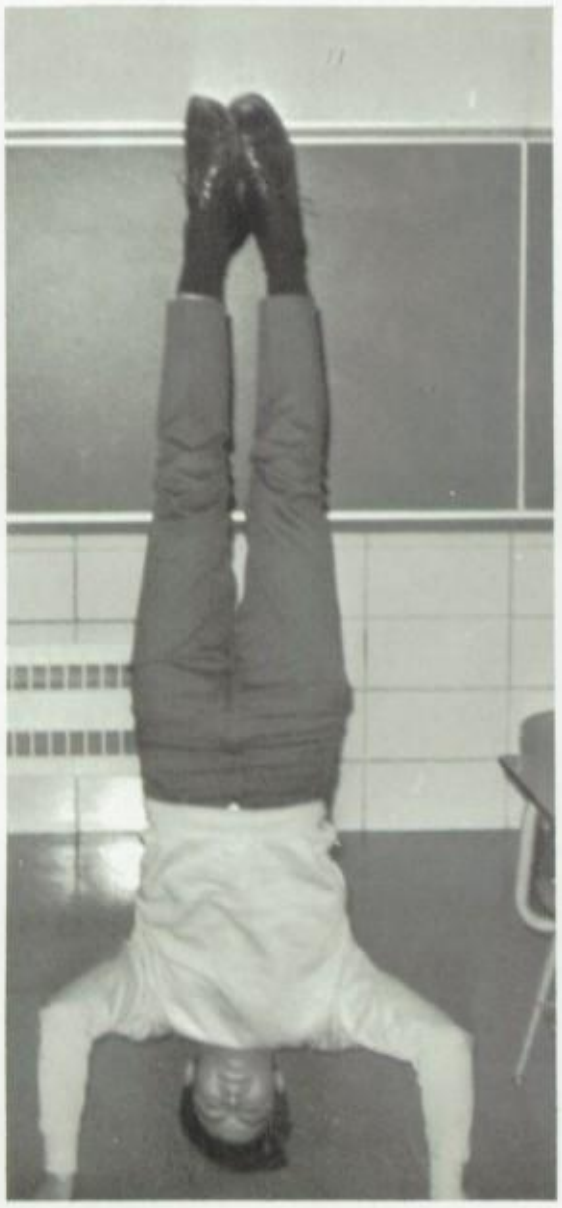
Individuality Is Characteristic Of BHS Students



School Board Links

The Board of Education does its utmost to give Blissfield High School the best education with the funds available.

They approved financial help of choral robes and the purchase of boys' wrestling mats. Plans for a new warehouse were made.

The board of education works closely with the teachers.

DONN CRANOR
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ROBERT SINCLAIR
HOWARD SLIKER

Community With Education

MR. CLAYTON T. WILSON
Superintendent

MR. JACK J. BARGER
Principal

Mr. Wilson was graduated from Western Michigan University with a M. A. degree. He strives to improve BHS by adding a greater variety of courses and obtaining the finest teachers.

Mr. Barger, who received his M. A. degree from University of Michigan, keeps busy signing absence slips, conferring with parents, writing recommendations, and keeping Blissfield on its high level of excellence.

The three secretaries take care of the office work at BHS.

MISS VADA LUKE

MRS. LINWOOD WINZELER
MRS. GLORIA RICKER

Together Mr. Wilson and Mr. Barger supervise BHS.

Teachers

MR. JAMES A. BOLDT

Mr. Boldt was graduated from the University of Toledo with a Bachelor of Education degree. He teaches art and advises the sophomore class.

MRS. JEAN A. BOYLAN

Graduated from Siena Heights College with B. S. and M. A. degrees, Mrs. Boylan is one of our guidance counselors.

MR. ARTHUR N. BREWER

Mr. Brewer teaches biology, advanced biology, and earth science. He was graduated from Michigan State University with both B. S. and M. A. degrees.

MRS. HAZEL BROWN

Mrs. Brown was graduated from Adrian College with a B. A. degree. She teaches girls' physical education.

MR. DON H. BRUCE

Mr. Bruce, an advisor to the sophomore class, teaches chemistry and physics. He was graduated from Adrian College with a B. S. degree and has since received his M. S. from Siena Heights College.

Mr. Bruce explains a crystal experiment to J. Val-

Inspire Creativity

MRS. MARY K. CASE

Mrs. Case was graduated from Michigan State University with a B. S. degree. She teaches Home Economics and advises the freshman class.

MRS. MARY E. CULHANE

Mrs. Culhane who teaches Typing I, Notehand, and bookkeeping, was graduated from Central Missouri State College with a B. S. degree.

"Well, I think it should be this way," says C. Gillin to Mr. Boldt.

entine, V. Walker, J.
Jackson, and R. Lindsay.

MRS. JANICE E. DURBIN

Mrs. Durbin teaches Home Economics I, II, and III. She was graduated from Adrian College with an A.B. degree and has a vocational degree in home economics.

MR. PETER DURBIN

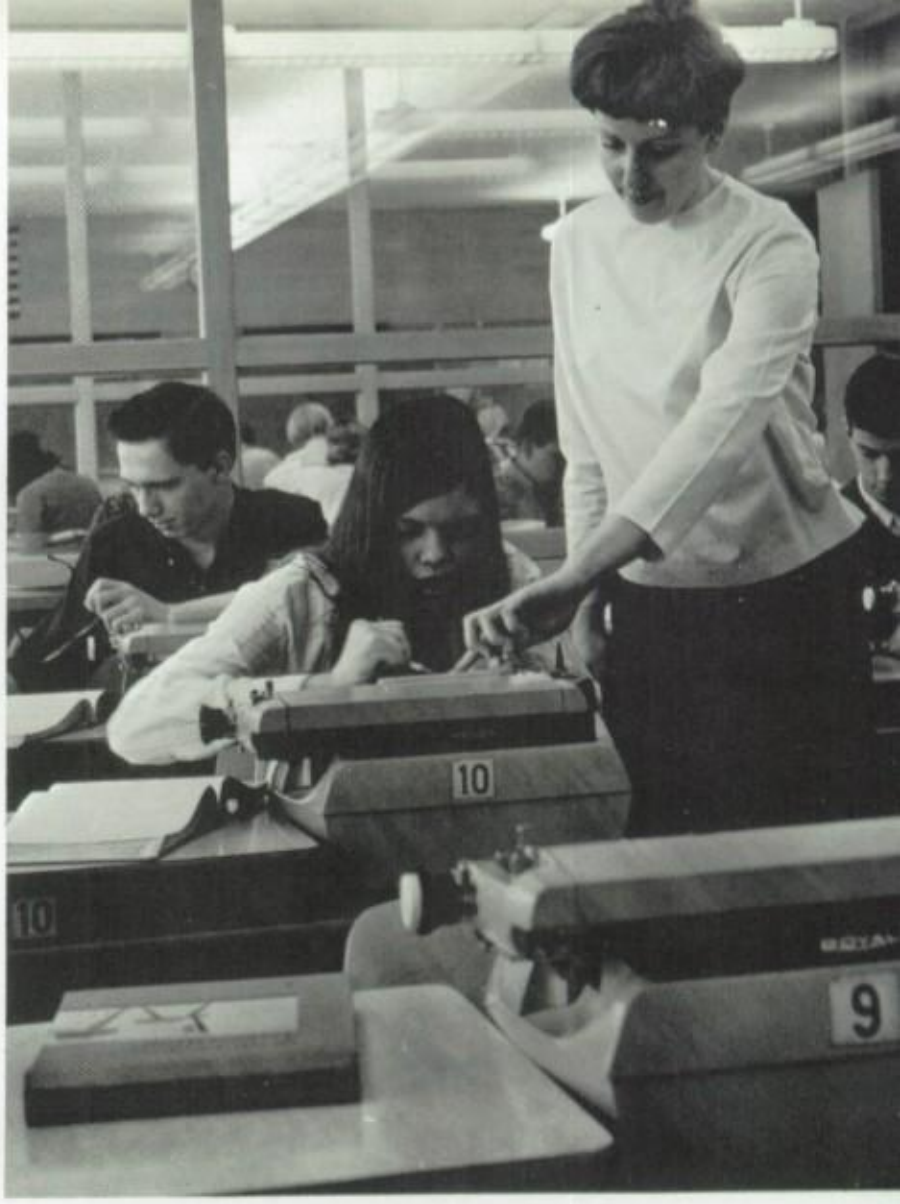
In addition to teaching English I, Ia, and IIa, Mr. Durbin is a senior class advisor. He was graduated from Adrian College with an A.B. degree.

MR. RICHARD J. DUSSEAU

A graduate from Adrian College with a B. S. degree, Mr. Dusseau teaches boy's physical education and American History. In addition, he advises the freshman class.

MR. VIRGIL E. EISENMANN

Mr. Eisenmann received his B. S. degree from Eastern Michigan University and his M. A. from Michigan State. Besides teaching math, he is also director of transportation.



Miss Hine's keen eyes detect another mistake. This one happens to be made by K. Purser.

MR. ROBERT H. EVANS

Mr. Evans was graduated from Ohio Wesleyan with a B. S. degree and received his M. A. from the University of New Hampshire. He teaches biology and English, and advises the freshman class.

MRS. MARGARET A. GOULD

In addition to teaching English IIIa and sociology, Mrs. Gould advises the senior class. She received her B. S. and M. A. degrees from Siena Heights College.

MRS. CAROL A. GREENWALD

Mrs. Greenwald, a graduate from Adrian College with a B. A. degree, not only teaches American History, but also advises the junior class.

Never Too Busy To Help A Student

MISS BEATRICE IRENE GUNTER

Miss Gunter teaches French and English, and advises the junior class. She was graduated from Berry College with a B. A. degree,

MR. WILLIAM R. HILLYARD

A graduate of State College of Iowa with a B. A., Mr. Hillyard teaches math and is a junior class advisor.

MR. JACK HEPINSTALL

Mr. Hepinstall teaches mechanical drawing and coaches Varsity football. He graduated from Michigan State University with B. S. and M. A. degrees.

MISS JUDITH K. HINE

Coming to Blissfield from Manchester College with a B. S. degree, Miss Hine teaches office machines, stenography, and typing.

MRS. HELEN M. KAFER

Mrs. Kafer, a graduate of the University of Michigan with A. B. and M. A. degrees, teaches English I, English IVa, and great novels.

MRS. MARY J. McCOLL

Mrs. McColl received her A.B. degree from Hillsdale College. She teaches Spanish I, II, and III.

MR. BRUCE A. McCORMICK

Besides directing the band, Mr. McCormick also advises the senior class. He received his B.M. and M.M. from University of Michigan.

MRS. JUDY L. MERSHON

Coming to Blissfield from Westminister College with a B.A. degree, Mrs. Mershon teaches English, speech, and dramatics, and advises the sophomore class.

MRS. DAPHENE B. ONOFRIO

In addition to teaching Latin, Mrs. Onofrio is school librarian. She was graduated from Indiana University with a B.A. degree.

MR. WALLACE A. RIDGLEY

Mr. Ridgley teaches economics, civics, and family relations. He received his B.A. degree from Western Michigan University and his M.A. degree from University of Michigan.

MRS. ALBERTA M. RUESINK

Mrs. Ruesink, a graduate of Adrian College with an A.B. degree, teaches English.

Chores For Teachers

MR. ALBERT H. SCHAFFER

Besides teaching mathematics and phys. ed., Mr. Schaffer advises the junior class. He is a graduate of Hillsdale College (B. S. degree) and Western Michigan University (M. A. degree).

MR. GEORGE W. STONE

A graduate of Michigan State University with a B. S. degree, Mr. Stone teaches shop and advises the freshman class.

MR. ALBERT W. TRUMP

Mr. Trump, a graduate of Northeast Missouri State Teachers College (B. S. degree) and University of Missouri (M. Ed. degree), teaches chorus.

With deep concentration, Mr. Ridgley produces another masterpiece test.

MR. LARRY S. TUTTLE

His first year at BHS, Mr. Tuttle, a graduate of Adrian College with a B. S. degree, teaches mathematics.

Faculty Gives Guidance

MR. JACOB G. VENEMA

Mr. Venema teaches animal husbandry, farm-crops, soils, and agricultural mechanics. He was graduated from Michigan State University with both B. S. and M. A. degrees.

MR. ADRIAN C. WILLIAMS

Mr. Williams was graduated from Western Michigan University with a B. S. degree. He teaches shop.

MRS. JOAN G. WOODWARD

Mrs. Woodward teaches English IIIa, II and advises the senior class. She received her B. S. and M. A. degree from Eastern Michigan University.

MR. DENNIS R. WURZEL

Mr. Wurzel, guidance counselor, was graduated from Oberlin University with a B. M. degree. He also advises the sophomore class.

Mr. Williams checks the handwork of M. Fatchett and C. Ford while Mr. Stone watches the progress of G. Sedlacek and D. Frost.

The cafeteria cooks faithfully serve hot lunches to the student body. They are: FRONT ROW: Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Yurnikl, Mrs. Dressler. BACK ROW: Mrs. Moon, Mrs. Prielipp, Mrs. Love, Mrs. Knoblauch, and Mrs. Ford.

Behind The Stage Workers Make BHS Efficient

Maintaining our school building is a large task for the janitors. They are Mr. Ybarra, Mr. Butts, Mr. Ayala, Mr. Seager, and Mr. Wolverton.

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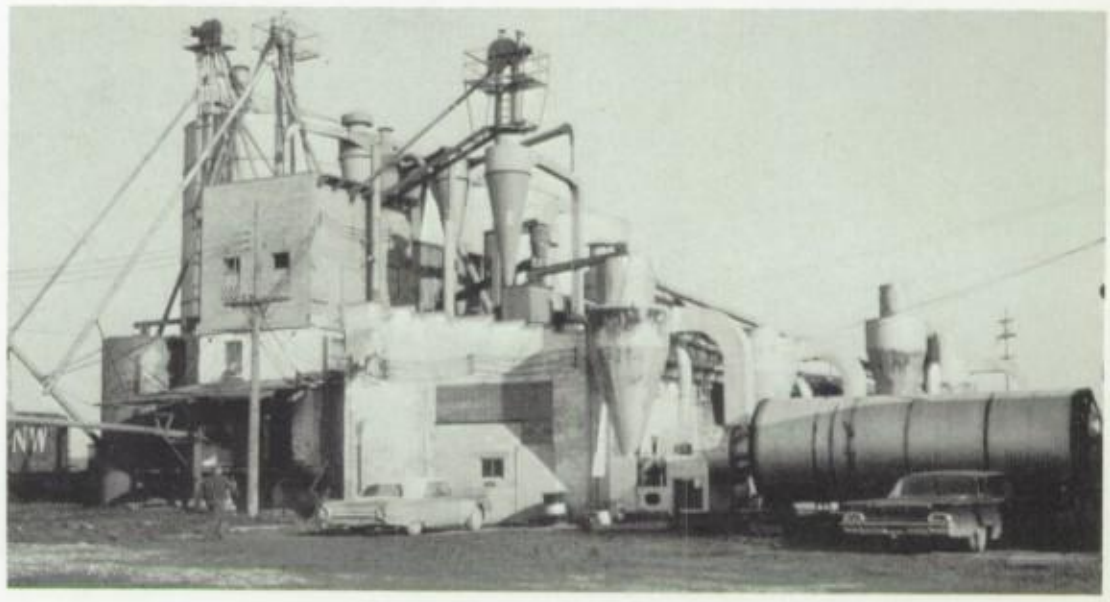

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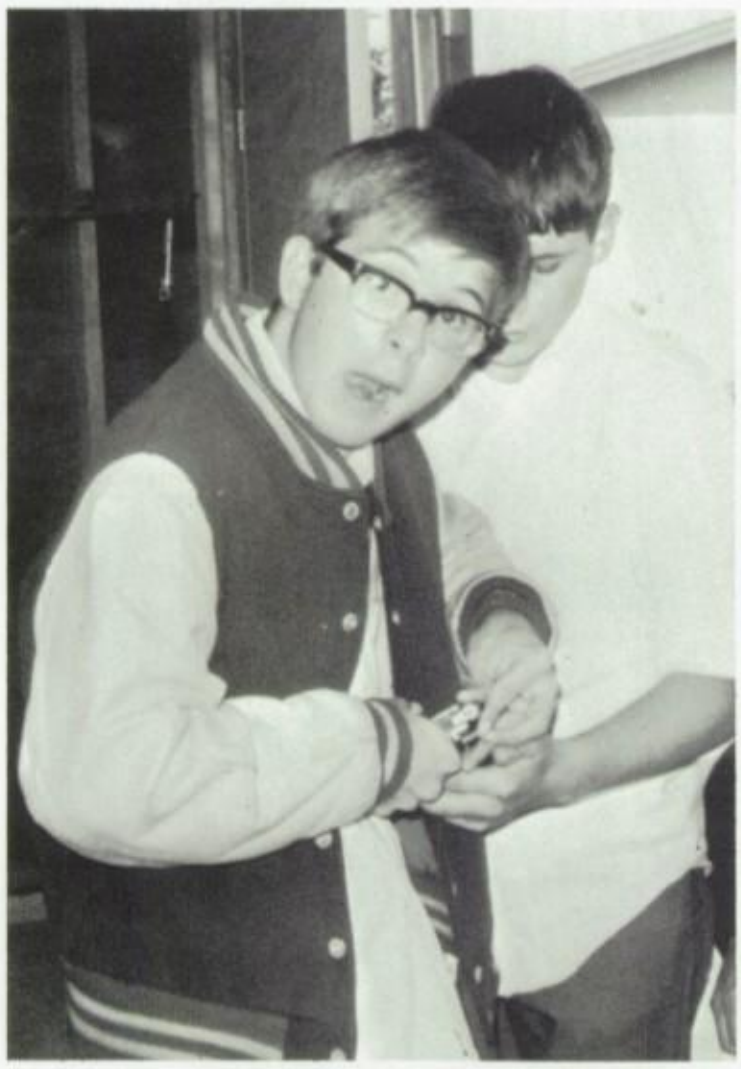

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